

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.  
Form 8-K  
July 11, 2014

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **July 9, 2014**

**Cloud Peak Energy Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation)

**001-34547**  
(Commission File Number)

**26-3088162**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**505 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette, Wyoming**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**82716**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(307) 687-6000**

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.03**

**Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.**

On July 9, 2014, the Board of Directors (the Board ) of Cloud Peak Energy Inc. (the Company ) approved and adopted amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws. The amendments:

- articulate the Board's authority to postpone, reschedule, adjourn, recess or cancel a meeting of stockholders that had previously been scheduled by the Board;
- articulate the authority of the chairman of the meeting of stockholders to adopt rules and regulations for the conduct of the meeting and to determine whether a matter of business was properly brought before the meeting;
- clarify that meetings of stockholders need not be held in accordance with parliamentary procedure;
- provide how abstentions and broker non-votes will be counted in elections of directors;
- clarify the duties of inspectors of election;
- provide a time period of not earlier than 120 days nor later than 90 days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting during which notice of any stockholder proposed business or nominations must be provided to the Company to create a predictable window for submission of such notices;
- provide that a stockholder proposing business or a nomination at an annual or special meeting, or such stockholder's qualified representative, must appear at the meeting to present such business or nomination;
- include certain qualifications and undertakings for directors; and
- provide that, unless the Company consents in writing to the selection of an alternative forum, the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware shall, to the fullest extent permitted by law, be the sole and exclusive forum for certain legal actions.

The amendments to the Amended and Restated Bylaws include other changes intended to clarify and conform various provisions of the Amended and Restated Bylaws to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

The foregoing summary of the amendments does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amended and Restated Bylaws. A copy of the Amended and Restated Bylaws is attached as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01**

**Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits.*

3.1 Amended and Restated Bylaws of Cloud Peak Energy Inc. effective as of July 9, 2014

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.**

Date: July 11, 2014

By: /s/ Bryan J. Pechersky  
Name: Bryan J. Pechersky  
Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
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