

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Jones Bruce E		(Month/Day/Year)	CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC. [CLD]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/08/2013	
505 SOUTH GILLETTE AVENUE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
GILLETTE, WY 82716			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			Sr. Vice President, Tech Svcs	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11,103 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  Title	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/11/2016	03/11/2023	Common Stock	3,291	\$ 17.5	D	Â
Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/15/2015	03/15/2022	Common Stock	3,071	\$ 17	D	Â
Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	03/08/2014	03/08/2021	Common Stock	2,157	\$ 20.99	D	Â
Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	11/20/2012	11/20/2019	Common Stock	19,811	\$ 15	D	Â
Performance Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	3,278	\$ (2)	D	Â
Performance Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	3,269	\$ (2)	D	Â
Performance Units	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	2,563	\$ (2)	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Jones Bruce E 505 SOUTH GILLETTE AVENUE GILLETTE, WY 82716	Â	Â	Â Sr. Vice President, Tech Svcs	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Lisa Kish, attorney-in-fact for Bruce E. Jones

07/17/2013

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- Includes (i) 1,031 shares of restricted stock that vest on 03/08/14, (ii) 1,459 shares of restricted stock that vest on 03/15/15, (iii) 1,639 (1) restricted stock units (each representing a contingent right to receive one share of Cloud Peak Energy Inc. common stock) that vest on 03/11/16, and (iv) 303 shares acquired under the Cloud Peak Energy Inc. employee stock purchase plan.
- (2) Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of Cloud Peak Energy Inc. common stock. The performance rights vest 3 years from the date of grant (which was 03/11/13 for the 3,278 performance units, 03/15/12 for the 3,269 performance units, and 03/8/11 for the 2,563 performance units) upon Cloud Peak Energy's achievement of Performance Goals, which are based upon Cloud Peak Energy's relative and absolute total shareholder return. These achievements may result in a payout range between 0% and 200% of the target. The number of performance rights shown in column 3 is equal to the target number of performance rights that may be earned.

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There is no expiration date for performance rights.

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**Remarks:**

ExhibitÂ List:

1.Â ExhibitÂ 24Â -Â PowerÂ ofÂ Attorney

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