MARSHALL COLIN Form 4

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obligations may continue. See Instruction Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARSHALL COLIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC.

(Check all applicable)

[CLD]

(Middle)

any

(Month/Day/Year)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 03/08/2011

President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

505 S. GILLETTE AVE. (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

below)

GILLETTE, WY 82716

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

3. Execution Date, if Code

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

220,211

Common Stock

(Instr. 3)

03/08/2011(1)

A 25.011 A \$0

D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.99	03/08/2011		A	42,101	<u>(2)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	42,101
Performance Units	<u>(4)</u>	03/08/2011		A	50,023	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	50,023

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MARSHALL COLIN 505 S. GILLETTE AVE. GILLETTE, WY 82716	X		President & CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Amy J. Stefonick, attorney-in-fact for Colin
Marshall
03/10/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Restricted Stock Award which vests as to 100% three years after the date of grant.
- (2) 100% of the option vests three years after the date of grant.
- (3) Nonqualified options granted under Cloud Peak Energy Inc.'s 2009 Long Term Incentive Plan expire ten years after the date of grant.
 - 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 upon Cloud Peak Energy's achievement of Performance Goals, which are based upon Cloud
- (4) Peak Energy's relative 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 columns 5 and 7 is equal to the target number of performance rights that may be earned. There is no expiration date for performance rights.

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