CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC. Form 8-K January 24, 2012

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): January 20, 2012

Cloud Peak Energy Inc.

Cloud Peak Energy Resources LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-34547 26-3088162

Delaware 333-168639 26-4073917

(State or other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

505 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette, Wyoming82716(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(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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o	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

Amendment No. 12 to Decker Coal Company Agreement

On January 20, 2012, Western Minerals LLC, a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Cloud Peak Energy Inc., and KCP, Inc., a wholly-owned indirect subsidiary of Ambre Energy Limited, entered into Amendment No. 12 (the Amendment) to the Decker Coal Company Agreement. The Amendment clarifies certain matters specified therein relating to reclamation surety bonds required by applicable regulations and mine reclamation expenses. The foregoing overview of the Amendment does not contain all of the terms and conditions of the Amendment. For the complete terms and conditions, refer to Exhibit 10.1 of this Form 8-K, which is incorporated into this Item 1.01 by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
 - 10.1 Amendment No. 12 to Decker Coal Company Agreement, dated as of January 20, 2012

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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: January 24, 2012 By: /s/ Amy J. Stefonick

Name: Amy J. Stefonick
Title: Corporate Secretary

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY RESOURCES LLC

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Name: Amy J. Stefonick
Title: Corporate Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

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