

# Peabody Energy Elects Heather Wilson To Board Of Directors

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ST. LOUIS, Aug. 8, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- [Peabody Energy](#) (NYSE: BTU) today announced that Heather A. Wilson has been appointed as a member of the company's Board of Directors. Wilson currently serves as President of the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology and is a former member of the U.S. House of Representatives.

"Dr. Wilson is an exceptional leader with a broad perspective on energy, mining and global affairs, who leads an institution that is bringing forth the next generation of mining talent," said Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Gregory H. Boyce. "Her extensive expertise in global intelligence, energy and strategy, will be of great value to Peabody's platform."

While serving 10 years in Congress, Wilson was the senior member of the House Energy and Commerce Committee and Chair of the House Intelligence Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence. She also served as Staff Director of Defense Policy and Arms Control for the National Security Council and founded Keystone International, Inc., a company dedicated to international business development. Wilson previously held the position of Cabinet Secretary for the State of New Mexico Children, Youth and Families Department. She is a former U.S. Air Force officer.

Wilson earned a Bachelor of Science in International Politics from the United States Air Force Academy and was a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, where she received master's and doctoral degrees in International Relations.

The South Dakota School of Mines & Technology is a public science and engineering research university located in Rapid City, S.D., offering bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees. The university enrolls more than 2,400 students from 32 countries, with a student-to-faculty ratio of 14:1.

Peabody Energy is the world's largest private-sector coal company and a global leader in sustainable mining and clean coal solutions. The company serves metallurgical and thermal coal customers in more than 25 countries on six continents. For further information, go to [PeabodyEnergy.com](#) and [CoalCanDoThat.com](#).

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