CLOUD PEAK ENERGY INC. Form 8-K March 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): March 11, 2014

Cloud Peak Energy Inc. Cloud Peak Energy Resources LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

001-34547

333-168639 (Commission

File Number)

26-3088162

26-4073917 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

505 S. Gillette Ave., Gillette, Wyoming

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(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.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

oWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

oPre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 9.01.

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

- 5.1 Opinion of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P.
- 23.1 Consent of Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. (included in its opinion filed as Exhibit 5.1).

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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: March 11, 2014

By:/s/ Bryan J. PecherskyName:Bryan J. PecherskyTitle:Senior Vice President, General Counsel and
Corporate Secretary

CLOUD PEAK ENERGY RESOURCES LLC

Date: March 11, 2014

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