

# **Patriot Coal Corporation Fundamental Company Report Including Financial, SWOT, Competitors and Industry Analysis**

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## **Abstracts**

Patriot Coal Corporation Fundamental Company Report provides a complete overview of the company's affairs. All available data is presented in a comprehensive and easily accessed format. The report includes financial and SWOT information, industry analysis, opinions, estimates, plus annual and quarterly forecasts made by stock market experts. The report also enables direct comparison to be made between Patriot Coal Corporation and its competitors. This provides our Clients with a clear understanding of Patriot Coal Corporation position in the [Energy](#) Industry.

The report contains detailed information about Patriot Coal Corporation that gives an unrivalled in-depth knowledge about internal business-environment of the company: data about the owners, senior executives, locations, subsidiaries, markets, products, and company history.

Another part of the report is a SWOT-analysis carried out for Patriot Coal Corporation. It involves specifying the objective of the company's business and identifies the different factors that are favorable and unfavorable to achieving that objective. SWOT-analysis helps to understand company's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and possible threats against it.

The Patriot Coal Corporation financial analysis covers the income statement and ratio trend-charts with balance sheets and cash flows presented on an annual and quarterly basis. The report outlines the main financial ratios pertaining to profitability, margin analysis, asset turnover, credit ratios, and company's long-

term solvency. This sort of company's information will assist and strengthen your company's decision-making processes.

In the part that describes Patriot Coal Corporation competitors and the industry in whole, the information about company's financial ratios is compared to those of its competitors and to the industry. The unique analysis of the market and company's competitors along with detailed information about the internal and external factors affecting the relevant industry will help to manage your business environment. Your company's business and sales activities will be boosted by gaining an insight into your competitors' businesses.

Also the report provides relevant news, an analysis of PR-activity, and stock price movements. The latter are correlated with pertinent news and press releases, and annual and quarterly forecasts are given by a variety of experts and market research firms. Such information creates your awareness about principal trends of Patriot Coal Corporation business.

## **About Patriot Coal Corporation**

Patriot Coal Corporation produces and markets thermal coal in the United States. The company operates mines and various contractor-operated mines in Appalachia and the Illinois Basin.

The company's operations consist of 14 mining complexes, which include company-operated mines, contractor-operated mines and coal preparation facilities. The Appalachia and Illinois Basin segments consist of its operations in West Virginia and Kentucky, respectively. The company controls approximately 1.8 billion tons of proven and probable coal reserve.

### **Mining Operations**

**Appalachia:** In southern West Virginia, the company has ten mining complexes located in Boone, Clay, Lincoln, Logan and Kanawha counties. In northern West Virginia, it has one complex located in Monongalia County. In Appalachia, the company sold 25.8 million tons of coal in the year ended December 31, 2009. As of December 31, 2009, it controlled 1.2 billion tons of proven and probable coal reserves in Appalachia.

**Illinois Basin:** In the Illinois Basin, the company has three complexes located in Union

and Henderson counties in western Kentucky. In the Illinois Basin, it sold 7.0 million tons of coal in the year ended December 31, 2009. As of December 31, 2009, it controlled 646 million tons of proven and probable coal reserves in the Illinois Basin.

### Appalachian Mining Operations

**Big Mountain:** The Big Mountain mining complex is sourced by one company-operated underground mine, Big Mountain No. 16, and multiple contractor-operated underground mines located in southern West Virginia.

**Blue Creek:** The Blue Creek mining complex is located in southern West Virginia and consists of two company-operated underground mines, Blue Creek No. 1 and Blue Creek No. 2. Both mines operate in the Stockton seam, with an average thickness of ten feet.

**Campbell's Creek:** The Campbell's Creek mining complex consists of two underground mines located in southern West Virginia. The company-operated Campbell's Creek No. 7 mine operates in the Winifrede seam, with an average mining thickness of seven and one half feet. The contractor-operated Campbell's Creek No. 6 mine operates in the Stockton seam, and has an average mining thickness of seven feet.

**Corridor G:** The Corridor G mining complex consists of two company-operated surface mines, Job 21 and Hill Fork, located in southern West Virginia. Coal is sourced from the Kittanning, Stockton and Coalburg seams, with a 16-to-1 average overburden to coal ratio. Corridor G utilizes truck-and-shovel/loader and dragline mining. Coal produced at this complex is transferred by belt to the on-site preparation plant and loadout facility.

**Kanawha Eagle:** The Kanawha Eagle is a contractor-operated, is located in southern West Virginia and is sourced by the Eagle, Coalburg No. 1 and Coalburg No. 2 underground mines. All three mines utilize continuous mining methods.

**Logan County:** The Logan County mining consists of one company-operated surface mine, Guyan, located in southern West Virginia. Coal from this is sold on the thermal market. The Guyan mine utilizes the truck-and-shovel/loader mining method. Coal is principally transported from the loadout facility to customers by CSX rail. Coal is sourced from the Freeport, Kittanning, Stockton and Coalburg seams, with a 15-to-1 average overburden to coal ratio.

**Paint Creek:** The Paint Creek mining consists of one surface mine and one

underground mine located in southern West Virginia. Both mines are company-operated.

**Panther:** The Panther mining consists of one underground mine, Panther, located in southern West Virginia. Coal produced at the Panther complex is sold on both thermal and metallurgical markets.

**Remington:** The Remington mining is located in southern West Virginia and consists of two underground mines and one surface mine.

**Rocklick:** The Rocklick mining is located in southern West Virginia and is sourced by two company-operated underground mines, Harris No. 1 and Black Oak, and contractor-operated underground and surface mines.

**Wells:** The Wells mining is located in southern West Virginia and is sourced by one company-operated underground mine, Rivers Edge, and multiple contractor-operated underground mines. Contract mines produce coal from the No. 2 Gas, Winifrede, Powellton and Lower Chilton seams, each with an average thickness of five to eight feet.

**Federal:** The Federal mining is located in northern West Virginia and is sourced by one company-operated underground mine, Federal No. 2, utilizing longwall and continuous mining methods.

### Illinois Basin Mining Operations

The company's Illinois Basin Mining Operations include three mining complexes in western Kentucky.

**Bluegrass:** The Bluegrass mining is located in western Kentucky and is sourced by two company-operated mines, Freedom, an underground mine, and Patriot, a surface mine. All coal is sold on the thermal market and is transported via truck or via barge loaded on the Green River.

**Dodge Hill:** The Dodge Hill mining is located in western Kentucky and is sourced by one company-operated underground mine. All coal is sold on the thermal market and transported via barge on the Ohio River. Coal is produced from the Kentucky No. 6 seam, with average thickness of four feet.

Highland: The Highland mining is located in western Kentucky and is sourced by one company-operated underground mine, Highland No. 9. All coal is sold on the thermal market and is transported via barges loaded on the Ohio River. Coal is produced from the Kentucky No. 9 seam, with average thickness of five feet. As of December 31, 2009, the company had a sales backlog of 72.6 million tons of coal.

### Competition

The company's competitors include Alpha Natural Resources, Inc., Arch Coal, Inc., CONSOL Energy, Inc., International Coal Group, Inc., James River Coal Company, Massey Energy Company, and Peabody Energy Corporation.

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## ANALYSIS FEATURES

### SWOT Analysis

SWOT, which stands for Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats, is an analytical framework that identifies the internal and external factors that are favorable and unfavorable for a company.

### Enhanced SWOT Analysis

Enhanced SWOT is a 3x3 grid that arranges strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats into one scheme:

How to use the strengths to take advantage of the opportunities?

How to use the strengths to reduce likelihood and impact of the threats?

How to overcome the weaknesses that obstruct taking advantage of the opportunities?

How to overcome the weaknesses that can make the threats a reality?

Upon answering these questions a company can develop a project plan to improve its business performance.

### PESTEL Analysis

PESTEL (also termed as PESTLE) is an ideal tool to strategically analyze what influence different outside factors – political, economic, sociocultural, technological, environmental and legal – exert on a business to later chart its long term targets.

Being part of the external analysis when carrying out a strategic assessment or performing a market study, PESTEL gives an overview of diverse macro-environmental factors that any company should thoughtfully consider. By perceiving these outside environments, businesses can maximally benefit from the opportunities while minimizing the threats to the organization.

### Key Factors Examined by PESTEL Analysis:

**Political** – What opportunities and pressures are brought by political bodies and what is the degree of public regulations' impact on the business?

**Economic** – What economic policies, trends and structures are expected to affect the organization, what is this influence's degree?

**Sociological** – What cultural and societal aspects will work upon the demand for the business's products and operations?

**Technological** – What impact do the technological aspects, innovations, incentives and barriers have on the organization?

**Environmental** – What environmental and ecological facets, both locally and farther afield, are likely to predetermine the business?

**Legal** – What laws and legislation will exert influence on the style the business is carried out?

### **IFE, EFE, IE Matrices**

The Internal Factor Evaluation matrix (IFE matrix) is a strategic management tool helping audit or evaluate major weaknesses and strengths in a business's functional areas. In addition, IFE matrix serves as a basis for identifying and assessing relationships amongst those areas. The IFE matrix is utilised in strategy formulation.

The External Factor Evaluation matrix (EFE matrix) is a tool of strategic management that is typically utilised to assess current market conditions. It is an ideal instrument for visualising and prioritising the threats and opportunities a firm is facing.

The essential difference between the above mentioned matrices lies in the type of factors incorporated in the model; whilst the latter is engaged in internal factors, the former deals exceptionally with external factors – those exposed to social, political, economic, legal, etc. external forces.

Being a continuation of the EFE matrix and IFE matrix models, the Internal External matrix (IE matrix) rests upon an investigation of external and internal business factors

integrated into one suggestive model.

### **Porter Five Forces Analysis**

The Porter's five forces analysis studies the industry of operation and helps the company find new sources of competitive advantage. The analysis surveys an industry through five major questions:

What composes a threat of substitute products and services?

Is there a threat of new competitors entering the market?

What is the intensity of competitive rivalry?

How big is the bargaining power of buyers?

How significant is the bargaining power of suppliers?

### **VRIO Analysis**

VRIO stands for Value, Rarity, Imitability, Organization. This analysis helps to evaluate all company's resources and capabilities and bring them together into one aggregate table that includes:

Tangible resources

Financial

Physical

Technological

Organizational

Intangible resources

Human

Innovation and Creativity

## Reputation

### Organizational capabilities

The result of the analysis gives a clear picture of company's competitive and economic implications, answering the questions if the resources mentioned above are:

Valuable?

Rare?

Costly to imitate?

Organized properly?

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