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Cloud Peak Energy joins globalCOAL

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US coal producer Cloud Peak Energy Resources LLC has joined the globalCOAL® trading platform as a Market Member.

Headquartered in Wyoming, Cloud Peak produces low sulphur sub-bituminous coal from three mines in the Powder River Basin. The company sells its coal primarily to domestic electric utilities, supplying approximately 70 customers with over 100 domestic plants. Its parent company Cloud Peak Energy Inc is listed on the NYSE under the symbol CLD.

"We are delighted to welcome Cloud Peak Energy as the second American coal producer to join our Market Member community this year", says **Patrick Markey of globalCOAL Singapore**. "We look forward to working with them, and our other US clients to further develop the SCoTA® market for seaborne coal in the Americas."

About globalCOAL®

globalCOAL was founded by leading members of the world coal industry to promote screen trading of standardised coal products. The company has developed the world's leading electronic marketplace for thermal coal, as well as a range of standardised coal quality specifications, a Standard Coal Trading Agreement (SCoTA®), and robust methodology for coal price index calculation. globalCOAL is also cooperating with leading energy exchange ICE Futures Europe to develop the coal Futures market. For more information, please visit www.globalcoal.com

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