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**Peabody Energy Selects Best Doctors to Offer Medical Benefit to Improve  
Healthcare Quality for Employees**

*Employees Will Have Access to Innovative Service to Ensure Right Diagnosis and Right  
Treatment When Facing Complex Medical Conditions*

**Boston, MA– December 5, 2007** – Best Doctors, Inc., the trusted medical resource for ensuring patients with serious illnesses have the right diagnosis and the right treatment, today announced that Peabody Energy (NYSE: BTU), the world's largest private-sector coal company, has selected Best Doctors to administer a diagnosis and treatment evaluation program for Peabody Energy's employees, covered retirees and eligible family members. The program, which will be offered as part of Peabody Energy's benefits package, will cover more than 6,000 employees.

Peabody Energy's employees, covered retirees and their eligible family members who are uncertain of a serious diagnosis or have questions about their treatment plan can receive answers from world-renowned doctors. An expert doctor evaluates the patient's case, and Best Doctors provides an easy-to-understand report so the patient can be sure they have the right diagnosis and best course of treatment.

“Peabody Energy is dedicated to offering their employees an exceptional benefits package,” said David Seligman, CEO of Best Doctors. “We are pleased to partner with Peabody Energy to provide a world-class service that can have a positive impact on employee healthcare.”

**About Peabody Energy**

Peabody Energy (NYSE: BTU) is the world's largest private-sector coal company. Its coal products fuel approximately 10 percent of all U.S. electricity generation and more than 2 percent of worldwide electricity.

**About Best Doctors**

Best Doctors® is the trusted medical resource for ensuring patients have the right diagnosis and the right treatment. The Company serves employers, insurers and health plans by dramatically improving the quality of healthcare at the point of treatment for individuals with serious illnesses and injuries. Founded in 1989 by two Harvard Medical School professors, Best Doctors serves more than 260 insurers, employers and health plans, touching 10 million people in 30 countries. For more information, visit [www.bestdoctors.com](http://www.bestdoctors.com) or call 1-800-223-5003.

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