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Comment: Rick Heede:

www.alphanr.com: "Alpha was formed in 2002 and went public in February 2005, trading on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol "ANR." Over the years Alpha has grown steadily through acquisitions and by building a reputation for itself as one of the nation's leading coal producers." "On July 31, 2009, the shareholders of both Foundation Coal and Alpha Natural Resources approved the merger of theirtwo companies."

Wikipedia: "Foundation Coal Holdings, Inc. was a large American coal mining company. Until its July 31, 2009 merger with Alpha Natural Resources (NYSE stock symbol ANR) to form the third largest American coal company, the company was publicly traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol FCL. With corporate offices in Linthicum Heights, Maryland, the former Foundation Coal operates coal mines in Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Wyoming, and was, prior to its merger with Alpha Natural Resources, the fourth-largest American coal producer by tonnage.[1]

Foundation Coal, through subsidiaries, owns and operates several of the largest coal mines in the United States, including: Belle Ayr Mine, Wyoming: 26.6 million short tons produced in 2007; Eagle Butte Mine, Wyoming: 25.0 million short tons produced in 2007; Cumberland Mine, Pennsylvania: 7.3 million short tons produced in 2007; Emerald Mine No 1, Pennsylvania: 6.7 million short tons produced in 2007."

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Coal production by coal mining companies and state-owned enterprises, including subsidiaries of oil and gas companies.

Coal types produced are not ordinarily reported by coal operators (except for metallurgical coal). We distinguish, where possible and reasonably well known, between hard (bituminous and subbituminous) and soft (lignite or peat) coals, especially for the larger companies operating in regions such as Australia and India where soft coals are predominant. Soft coals have lower carbon content per tonne than do hard coals.

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National Mining Association (2005) Coal Producer Survey 2004, page 3.

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National Mining Association (2005) Coal Producer Survey 2004, page 3.

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"Until the close of 2003 RAG Coal International was among the leading mining and trading companies on the international coal market with mines in the USA, Australia and Venezuela. As a result of the restructuring of RAG the company's mining activities have been sold. Today, RAG Coal International is the umbrella for all national and international activities of RAG having to do with coal." Source: www.rag-coalinter.de/index_e.shtml

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Alpha Natural Resources merged with Foundation Coal, July 2009.