



James River Coal Company CEO to Speak at Conference

RICHMOND, Va., Oct 08, 2008 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- Peter Socha, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of James River Coal Company (Nasdaq: JRCC), will speak at the Natixis Bleichroeder 2nd Annual Hidden Gems Conference on Tuesday, October 14, 2008.

Interested investors can access the live presentation at 4:00 p.m. E.T. on October 14, 2008 at <http://www.wsw.com/webcast/nblr2/jrcc/>. The presentation can also be accessed through James River's website www.jamesrivercoal.com.

James River Coal Company mines, processes and sells, steam-and industrial-grade coal primarily to electric utility companies. The Company's mining operations are managed through five operating subsidiaries located throughout eastern Kentucky and one subsidiary in southern Indiana.

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