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| June 17, 2009 | | | | | | | | | OMB A | PPROVAL | | |
| | FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 | | | | | | | | - | 3235-0287 | | |
| Check thi if no long subject to Section 10 Form 4 or Form 5 obligation may conti <i>See</i> Instru 1(b). | er STATEN 5. Filed put ¹⁵ Section 17(| STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIESExpires:JanuaFiled pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940Expires:Lanua | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Print or Type R | esponses) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DECTEN C LIENDY ID | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
| a | | ARCH COAL INC [ACI] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Mon | | | (Month/I | . Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year) 6/15/2009 | | | | Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior VP-Strategic Dev. | | | | |
| | | | | fonth/Day/Year) App | | | Applicable Line) | Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check pplicable Line) K_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | |
| ST. LOUIS, | MO 63141 | | | | | | | | More than One R | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secur | rities A | cquired, Disposed o | of, or Beneficia | lly Owned | | |
| | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da | Date, if | Code Disposed of (D) | |) 5) | Securities Beneficially Owned | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Reminder: Repo | ort on a separate line | e for each cla | ass of sec | urities benef | • | | • | or indirectly. | ction of S | SEC 1474 | | |

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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Price of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | onNumber | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities | Derivative |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | Security |

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | s I I | | | | (Instr. 5) |
|------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) |) Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Phantom Stock | <u>(1)</u> | 06/15/2009 | А | 65 | (2) | (2) | Common Stock | 65 | \$ 17.32 (1) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| BESTEN C HENRY JR ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 300 ST. LOUIS, MO 63141 | | | Senior VP-Strategic Dev. | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| /s/ Gregory A. Billhartz, Attorney-in-Fact | | 06/17 | 7/2009 | | | |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | | Da | te | | | |
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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Each share of phantom stock represents a right to receive the value in cash of one share of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock. The shares of phantom stock are held by the executive officer through the Arch Coal, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). The shares of phantom stock acquired by the executive officer represent dividends attributable to amounts that the executive officer elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock.

(2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash on the date or dates elected by the executive officer, subject to the terms of the Plan. The executive officer may transfer any and all of the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

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