FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Jones J. Thomas						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issu (Check all applicable)						
JOHCS 5	<u>. 1110111u3</u>	•														X	Directo	r		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/25/2013											Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify	
SUITE 300					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	cqui	red, D	isp	osed o	of, o	r Ber	eficial	ly C	wned					
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## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reporting person received 2500 restricted stock units on July 25, 2013. The restricted stock units vest upon the retirement of the reporting person.
- 2. The restricted stock units do not expire.

\$4.01

## Remarks:

Restricted

Stock Units

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-

2,500

\$0.00

Fact

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Stock

(2)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/26/2013

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

07/25/2013

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