FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Jones J. Thomas</u>				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]									theck al	I appli Directo	or	g Per	10% O	wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 300				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/13/2013										Officer (give title below)			Other (below)	specify	
(Street)		0 (53141	-	4. If A	mend	lment,	, Date	of Original F	iled	(Month/D	ay/Year)		ne) X	Form	Joint/Group filed by One filed by Mor n	Rep	orting Perso	on
(City)	(Si		Zip) le I - Non-I	Deriva	tive S	Secu	uritie	es Ac	auired. D	—— Disp	osed (of, or Be	eneficia	ally O	wne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					action 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transac Code (In 8)	tion	4. Secur Dispose	rities Acqui	red (A) or str. 3, 4 a	5. Se Be Or Re Tr	5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Co	Transactio				6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	,	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode V	, ((A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Ex Da	piration te	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Phantom Stock	(1)	09/13/2013		1	A		280		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	280	\$4.	69	44,103		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 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 director through the Arch Coal, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and represent past compensation that the director elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock and/or dividends attributable to such deferred amounts.
- 2. Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of the director's service as a director of Arch Coal, Inc. The director may transfer certain portions of the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

Remarks:

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

Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

09/17/2013

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).
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