# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

#### FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): June 15, 2011 (June 15, 2011)

## Arch Coal, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-13105 (Commission File Number) 43-0921172 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

CityPlace One One CityPlace Drive, Suite 300 St. Louis, Missouri 63141 (Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 994-2700

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On June 15, 2011, Deck Slone, Vice President — Government, Investor and Public Affairs of Arch Coal, Inc. (the "Company"), will deliver a presentation at the Deutsche Bank Global Industrials and Basic Materials Conference. The slides from the presentation are attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and are hereby incorporated by reference.

The information contained in Item 7.01 and the exhibits attached hereto shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall they be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

#### (d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto and filed herewith.

Exhibit No.	Description				
110.	Description				
99.1	.1 Slides from the Deutsche Bank Global Industrials and Basic Materials Conference.				
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#### **Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: June 15, 2011 Arch Coal, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert G. Jones

Robert G. Jones Senior Vice President — Law, General Counsel and

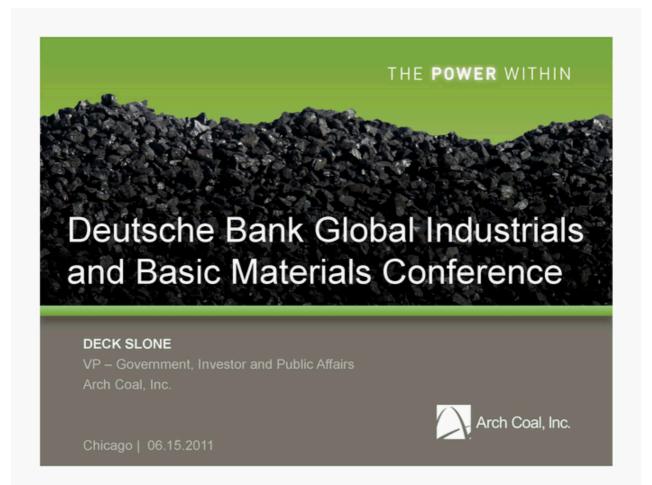
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#### **Exhibit Index**

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### Forward-Looking Information

This presentation contains "forward-looking statements" — that is, statements related to future, not past, events. In this context, forward-looking statements often address our expected future business and financial performance, and often contain words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," or "will." Forward-looking statements by their nature address matters that are, to different degrees, uncertain. For us, particular uncertainties arise from changes in the demand for our coal by the domestic electric generation industry; from legislation and regulations relating to the Clean Air Act and other environmental initiatives; from operational, geological, permit, labor and weather-related factors; from fluctuations in the amount of cash we generate from operations; from future integration of acquired businesses (including the ICG business); and from numerous other matters of national, regional and global scale, including those of a political, economic, business, competitive or regulatory nature. These uncertainties may cause our actual future results to be materially different than those expressed in our forward-looking statements. We do not undertake to update our forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required by law. For a description of some of the risks and uncertainties that may affect our future results, you should see the risk factors described from time to time in the reports we file with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

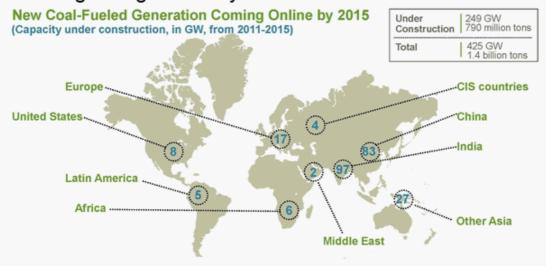
This presentation includes certain non-GAAP financial measures, including Adjusted EBITDA. These non-GAAP financial measures are not measures of financial performance in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and may exclude items that are significant in understanding and assessing our financial results. Therefore, these measures should not be considered in isolation or as an alternative to net income from operations, cash flows from operations, earnings per fully-diluted share or other measures of profitability, liquidity or performance under generally accepted accounting principles. You should be aware that our presentation of these measures may not be comparable to similarly-titled measures used by other companies. Please see the reconciliation included at the end of this presentation.







## Around the world, countries are building coal plants to fuel growing electricity needs



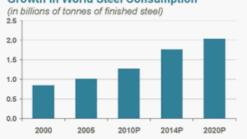
425 GW of total coal-fueled capacity is planned to be online by 2015 ... and will be fueled by 1.4 billion tons of coal

Sources: ACI and Platts International, estimates based on plants currently under construction or planned

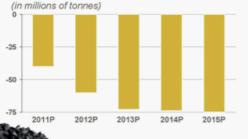


## We expect continued strength in met coal markets – and seaborne coal supply shortages



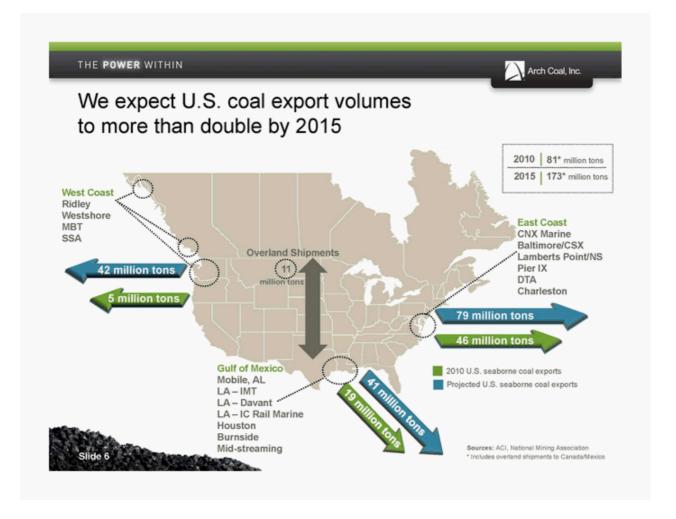


#### Projected Deficit in Seaborne Coal Supply Trade



- Growth in world steel consumption is projected to increase approximately
   60 percent during the next decade – with Asia expected to drive met coal demand going forward
- With production and transportation constraints, global met coal supply will remain tight for the next five years and likely beyond
- Internal forecasts suggest that global seaborne coal markets will be undersupplied through at least 2015
  - One-third of projected supply deficit is in met coal markets; two-thirds relates to steam coal

Sources: World Steel Association and ACI

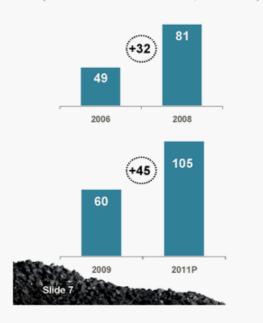




## Modest increases in export activity can have significant market implications

#### Increase in U.S. Coal Exports

(2006 to 2008 versus 2009 to 2011P, in million tons)



- Arguably the most significant driver in the 2008 market run-up was a 32-million-ton increase in U.S. exports from 2006 to 2008
- U.S. exports appear to be in the midst of an even greater expansion at present
- The market implications of such an increase could prove dramatic

Sources: NMA and ACI



## Even with potential U.S. coal plant retirements, growth opportunity could prove significant in coming decade

#### Theoretical Demand Additions and Offsets versus 2010

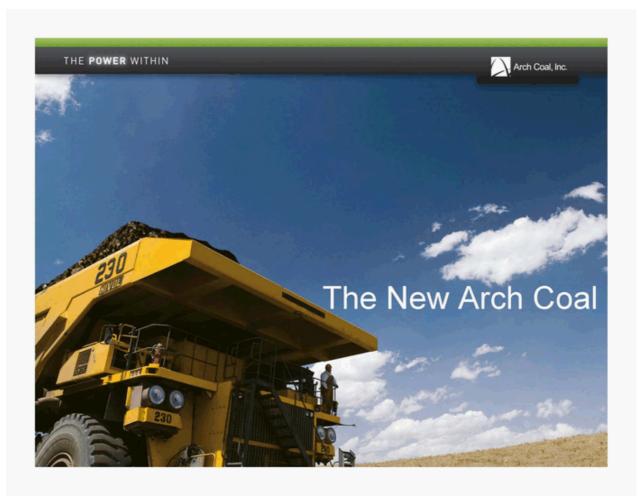
(in millions of tons)

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Potential retirements over next decade (revised downside case)1	(30) - (50)					
Potential lost consumption to competing fuels, such as natural gas	(20) - (40)					
Increasing utilization at surviving plants by 4 to 6 percentage points <sup>2</sup>	55 – 85					
Potential incremental demand from plants now under construction <sup>3</sup>	20 - 30					
Incremental export potential by 2015 (including West Coast moves) <sup>4</sup>	82 – 102					
Potential range (sub-total)	67 – 167					
Theoretical Additional Opportunity for Non-CAPP Thermal Coal						
Further rationalization in Central Appalachia (by 2015)	20 - 30					
Expected cross-over tons for U.S. met market (by 2015)	3 – 7					
Potential range (total)	90 – 204					



Arch's revised downside case reflects EPA's recent HAPS MACT proposal; a mid-point of 35 GWs of coal plant retirements by 2020; and mid-point coal consumption at those at-risk plants in 2010 of 40 million tons.
 Surviving plants are likely to be the most modern and most efficient, with greatest capability to operate at higher capacity factors.
 Reflects 8.5 GWs of coal-based capacity currently under construction and slated to come online in 2011-2014.
 Reflects east coast exports growing to mid-point of 79 million tons by 2015; guif exports growing to mid-point of 42 million tons via Washington State, Canada and the Guif of Mexico by 2015.







### Arch has created a U.S. coal industry powerhouse - and a world-class global thermal and met coal franchise

Leading Met

2<sup>nd</sup> largest U.S. (top 10 global) met producer Blending synergies will optimize met franchise ■ Coal Supplier | Significant reserve expansion opportunities

Profile

25% reserve boost to create #2 U.S. coal reserve holder 85% increase in met coal volumes by 2015 Build out of thermal platform in new basins and for export

Market Leverage Major producer in under-supplied met markets Highly levered to improving domestic thermal markets Growing player in robust seaborne thermal markets

Most Diversified | U.S. Producer

Operations in every major supply basin Strategically balanced met/thermal portfolio #1 or #2 position in core operating regions

- Fit

Shared culture of safety and environmental commitment Low-cost operations in every major domestic supply basin UMWA-free workforce with minimal legacy liabilities

Strategic Transaction

Accretive to EPS in first full year after close Estimated annual synergies of \$70-80 million @ Substantial pro forma free cash flow generation

> Pro forma for acquisition (1) Beginning in 2012



## Arch is the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest U.S. met coal producer – and a top 10 global met supplier

Top Five U.S. Metallurgical Coal Producers (2011 expected sales, in millions of tons)



Top Ten Global Metallurgical Coal Producers (2011 expected sales, in millions of tons)



- Arch will have significant scale and leverage in domestic and international met coal markets
- With optimal use of Arch's existing export capabilities, the combined company will become a larger met coal seaborne supplier
- Future growth opportunities at the combined entity will likely lift met volume levels meaningfully over the next five years
- Undeveloped high-vol "A" met coal reserves should allow Arch to become an even larger global supplier of met coal

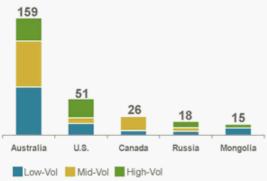
Sources: ACI, Wall Street Research and Public Data \* Pro Forma for ACI, ANR and WLT WLT in U.S. chart excludes Canadian production



### Arch can expand customer offerings through optimal met coal blending opportunities

### 2010 Seaborne Metallurgical Coal Supply

(in millions of tonnes)





 Maximizes value of combined company's coals in seaborne trade via Arch's existing and expanding port access

• The U.S. is a significant supplier

second only to Australia

of seaborne metallurgical coal -

- Creates synthetic mid-vol coals, which command highest market premium
- Optimizes blending and expands product offerings in low, mid and high-vol segments





### Arch has one of the most extensive and highest quality met coal reserve bases in the U.S. coal industry

- · Arch has a substantial, high-quality met coal reserve base
  - Beckley is a high-quality, low-vol coal that should trade at near parity with Peak Downs
  - Vindex is a quality, low-vol met coal
  - Sentinel is a high-vol "A" coal, superior to the Gregory brand
  - Upside in high-vol "A" segment as Tygart Valley comes online
  - Mountain Laurel/Buckhannon compete in the high-vol "B" segment, on par with Gregory
  - Lone Mountain is a good PCI coal; will move Powell Mountain as PCI (same or similar coal seams)

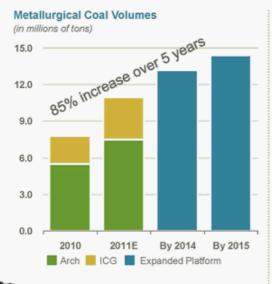




\* Expected price based on Anglo's settlement of German Creek



## Tygart Valley provides an attractive growth opportunity to nearly double Arch's met coal volumes by 2014





- Tygart Valley No. 1 mine will boost future metallurgical coal volumes by 2014
- Portfolio of Mountain Laurel and Tygart coal mines will create world-class metallurgical coal asset base
- Undeveloped high-vol "A" reserves (115 million tons) create opportunities for further volume growth over next five years
  - Will begin permitting immediately



### Arch has a strong pipeline of future growth projects to bring online as market conditions warrant

Recently Completed Appalachia: River

Met Expansion/Development

Steam

ILB: Knight Hawk Interest

PRB: Jacobs Ranch

PRB: Leases

WBIT: Elk Mountain

Singapore Business Office Export

(Illinois River Dock) Export (DTA)

Refined Coal (ADA)

Coal-to-Liquids

(DKRW)

(MBT)

Enhanced Oil

Recovery (Tenaska)

**Future** Growth **Projects**  Appalachia: Beckley

Appalachia: Vindex

Sentinel

Appalachia: Lone/Powell Mountain

Appalachia: Tygart Valley #1

Appalachia: Tygart Valley #2

Appalachia:

Appalachia: VA met reserves

Appalachia: Paw-Paw ILB: Macoupin

· Arch remains a prudent steward of capital

· We intend to pursue future growth projects that will earn solid

returns for shareholders and expand the market for coal, but will do

so judiciously

Expansion of existing met complexes\* and future development projects

Steam growth projects

Other coal market expansion efforts

Incremental production potential, preparation plant efficie additional marketing blends and transportation synergies



## Arch will continue to play a growing role in the global seaborne met and thermal coal trade

#### **East Coast**



- Current export capabilities can further liberate ICG's met and thermal production
- Own 22% interest in DTA in Newport News, VA which has throughput capacity of ~20 million tpy

#### Gulf Coast (New Orleans)



- Ownership and throughput rights at river facilities in Kentucky and Illinois
- Ability to blend ILB coals with products from every major operating region for sale into the seaborne coal market

#### **West Coast**

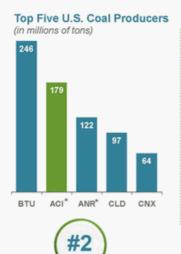


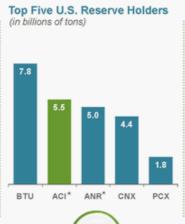
- Secured 38% interest in Millennium Bulk Terminals in Washington state
- Agreement with Ridley Terminals in Canada
- Commitments to move Western Bituminous coals through ports in California





# Acquisition strengthens Arch's position as one of the largest coal producers in the U.S. and the world

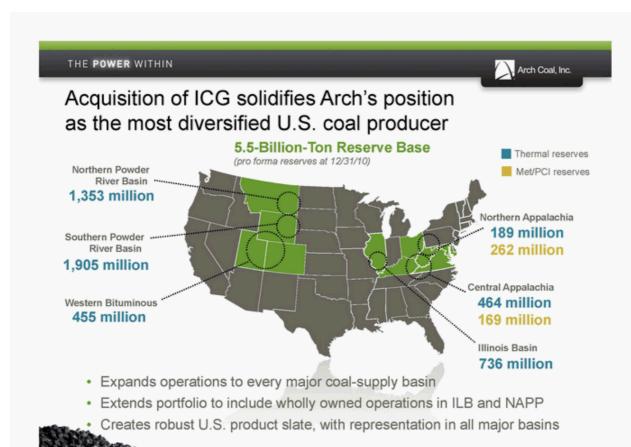






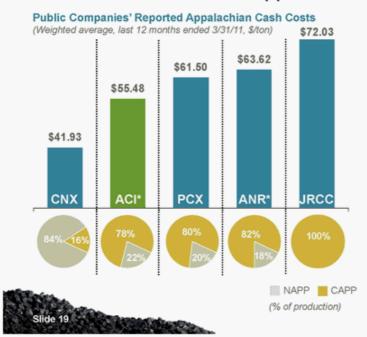


Sources: ACI, Ventyx, Company filings
\* Pro forma





### Arch's pro forma cash cost structure remains one of the lowest in the Appalachian region



- · Lowest cost producer among predominantly **CAPP** operators
- · One of the lowest cost producers in the overall Appalachian region
- · Combined with ICG. Arch's cost structure remains advantageous - despite continued pressures in the region

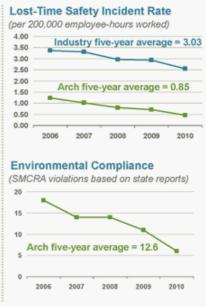
Source: SEC flings, MSHA

\* Pro forma



## Arch is committed to continuing its industry leading performance in safety and environmental compliance

- Record safety lost-time and total incident rates in 2010
  - Earned nine national and state awards for safety excellence
- Record environmental compliance rate in 2010
  - Earned seven national or state awards for excellence in environmental practices
- Last year, two mining complexes achieved A Perfect Zero – zero reportable injuries and zero SMCRA environmental violations



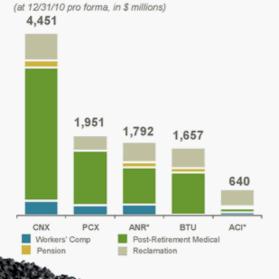






## Arch preserves one of the strongest balance sheets in the U.S. coal industry





- Lowest level of legacy liabilities versus largest public U.S. coal companies
- · Low legacy liabilities at ICG
- Approximately two-thirds of Arch's pro forma legacy liabilities consist of reclamation liabilities

Sources: ACI and Public Data

\* Pro Forma



### The combined company presents a strong pro forma estimated financial outlook



- · Pro forma revenues of \$5+ billion
- Expected growth in EBITDA of nearly 40 percent
- · Improved EBITDA margin to ~27 percent of revenues
- · Prudent management of capital expenditures
- · Significant cash flow generation capabilities
- \* 2011 estimated data represents mid-point of provided annual guidance by respective companies in Q1 earnings releases. Estimated revenues based on production and average price guidance. \*\* Represents midpoint of annual synergies See reconciliation at end of presentation



## Arch has significant upside to coal markets in future years



Illustrative: Leverage to Coal Markets in 2012									
	Illustrative Price Increase								
(prices in \$/ton)									
Steam Coal	\$2	\$5							
Met Coal	\$5	\$15							
2012 Unpriced Tons									
(in millions)*									
Steam Coal	79	79							
Met Coal	11	11							
(in \$ millions)									
Potential Incremental Revenue	\$213	\$560							
Sales-Sensitive Costs @ 18.5% (1)	(39)	(104)							
Potential Incremental EBITDA	\$174	\$456							

<sup>\*</sup> Based on ACI and ICG's volume guidance given per the 1Q11 earnings releases. Assumed flat volume levels in 2012 versus 2011 for Arch stand alone. (1) Sales-sensitive costs consist of royalties, black lung and severance taxes.



## Non-GAAP Measures Reconciliation Chart

Adjusted EBITDA

Adjusted EBITDA is defined as net income attributable to the Company before the effect of net interest expense, income taxes, depreciation, depletion and amortization and the amortization of acquired sales contracts. Adjusted EBITDA may also be adjusted for items that may not reflect the trend of future results.

Adjusted EMTDA is not a measure of financial performance in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and items excluded to calculate Adjusted EMTDA are significant in understanding and assessing our financial condition. Therefore, Adjusted EMTDA should not be considered in isolation nor as an alternative to net income, income fromoperations, cash flows from operations or as a measure of our profitability, liquidity or performance under generally accepted accounting principles. We believe that Adjusted EMTDA presents a useful measure of our ability to service and incur debt based on ongoing operations. Furthermore, analogous measures are used by industry analysts to evaluate operating performance. In addition, acquisition and financing related expenses are excluded to make results more comparable between periods. Investors should be aware that our presentation of Adjusted EMTDA may not be comparable to similarly titled measures used by other companies. The table below shows how we calculate Adjusted EMTDA.

2011 Midpoint

	Arch		ICG		Combined	
Net income	\$	371,500	\$	92,000	\$	463,500
Net income attributable to noncontrolling interest		-				-
Income tax expense (benefit)		82,500		30,000		112,500
Interest expense, net		135,000		30,000		165,000
Depreciation, depletion and amortization		381,000		115,600		496,600
Amortization of acquired sales contracts, net		20,000		(2,600)		17,400
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Adjusted EBITDA	\$	990,000	\$	305,000	\$	1,295,000
Midpoint of estimated annual synergies					s	75,000
Arch pro forma Adjusted EBITDA					\$	1,370,000