FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Strobel Jeffrey W.					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2014							below)	Officer (give title below)  Vice Pres, Bus I		Other (s below) & Strategy			
(Street) ST. LOUIS MO 63141  (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			3. 4. Securit Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		curiti	f, or Ben es Acquired Of (D) (Insti	d (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Amo	unt	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
		Т	able II - De (e.					ired, Dis options,					Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	action (Instr.			6. Date Exercisable at Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and	nd 7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	e s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expira Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Performance Shares	\$4.51	02/27/2014		A		67,250		(1)	(2)		Common Stock	67,250	\$0.00	67,250	0	D		
Resticted Stock Units	\$4.51	02/27/2014		A		67,250		(3)	(4)		Common	67,250	\$0.00	138,30	00	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The reporting person received 67,250 performance shares on February 27, 2014. The performance shares vest on February 27, 2017.
- 2. The performance shares do not expire.
- 3. The reporting person received 67,250 restricted stock units on February 27, 2014. The restricted stock units vest on February 27, 2017.
- 4. The restricted stock units do not expire.

## Remarks:

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

03/03/2014

<u>Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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).

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