FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Wold Peter I  2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/21/2010			nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]							
(Last) ONE CITYPI	(First) ACE DRIVE	(Middle)			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
SUITE 300						Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)	cify	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street) ST. LOUIS	МО	63141							X		y One Reporting Person y More than One erson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					unt of Securities ially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock						500	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  2. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur		ity (Instr. 4) Conve		rcise	5. Ownership Form:	(Instr. 5)		
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	on Title	e	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Deriva	tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

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

<u>Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/23/2010

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 5 (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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The undersigned, appoints the following individuals, with full power to each of them to act alone, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents to execute and file on behalf of the undersigned all Forms 3, 4 and 5, and any amendments thereto, that the undersigned may be required to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission, and any stock exchange or similar authority, as a result of the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of Arch Coal, Inc. The authority of the following individuals under this Power of Attorney shall continue until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with regard to the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of Arch Coal, Inc., unless earlier revoked in writing. The undersigned acknowledges that the following individuals are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

The following Officers of Arch Coal, Inc.:

Secretary of the Corporation

Assistant Secretary of the Corporation

General Counsel of the Corporation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of July, 2010.

/s/ Peter I. Wold

Peter I. Wold