## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Taylor Wes M</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]								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) 06/15/2009										r (give title		Other (s		
(Street) ST. LOUIS MO 63141 (City) (State) (Zip)				-	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line) X							
1 Title of 9	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction 2. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature																		
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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Phantom Stock	(1)	06/15/2009			Α		59		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	59		\$17.32	11,334		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"). The shares of phantom stock acquired by the director represent dividends attributable to amounts that the director elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock.
- 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 amounts held in the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

## Remarks:

/s/ Gregory A. Billhartz, Attorney-in-Fact

06/17/2009

\*\* 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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