## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	S IN BENEFI	CIAL OW	<b>NERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HUNT DOUGLAS H						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONECITYPLACE DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/14/2007									Office below	r (give title )		Other (sbelow)	specify		
(Street) ST. LOU (City)			53141 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Ind Line) X						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)		ı of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		D S (I	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 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)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Phantom Stock	(1)	09/14/2007			A		87		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	87		\$32.86	40,902		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

09/17/2007

\*\* 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).
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