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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Freudenthal David D.</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2011											Office pelow	r (give title)		Other (below)	specify	
SUITE 300						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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ST. LOUIS MO 63141																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
		Tab	le I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	curiti	es Ac	cqui	red, D	isp	osed	of, or	Ber	neficia	lly O	wne	d				
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										Code	v	Amount	t (A) or (D)		Price	Tr	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
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					Code	v	(A) (D)		Date Exer	: cisable	Ex Da	piration te	Title		Amount or Number of Shares							
Phantom Stock	(1)	03/15/2011			A		5			(2)		(2)	Comn		5	\$33.	.67	1,839		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 certain portions of the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

Remarks:

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

<u>Fact</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

03/16/2011

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 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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