## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PERRY A MICHAEL					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]								(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/30/2010									Office below	r (give title )		Other (s below)	specify		
(Street) ST. LOU (City)			53141 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Inc Line)	′					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			Code (I	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, Code (Instr. 5)			4 and Securit		unt of 6. 0 ies For (D) Following (I) (		rm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)		rice	Transac	action(s) 3 and 4)		ľ	(1115411 4)
	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/Da	Date,		ransaction ode (Instr.		ı of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		C   S   (I	. Price of Perivative Pecurity Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	is illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Phantom Stock	(1)	06/30/2010			A		757		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	75	7	\$19.81	28,358		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") and represent past compensation that the director elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock and/or dividends attributable to such deferred amounts.
- 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/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-

**Fact** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

07/01/2010

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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