# FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ss of Reporting Perso SHEILA B	on*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]		tionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director	10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONECITYPLACE DRIVE (Street) ST. LOUIS MO 63141			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2007	X	Officer (give title below) VP - Human Re	Other (specify below) sources	
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	,		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			Person		

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ecution Date, Transactio		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	05/04/2007	М		2,275	A	(1)	6,293	D	

# 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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Performance Rights	(2)	05/04/2007		М			9,100	(3)	12/31/2008	Common Stock	9,100	(1)	9,100	D	
Phantom Stock	(2)	05/04/2007		М		4,550		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	4,550	(1)	4,550	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person received 18,200 performance-contingent phantom shares on July 28, 2005. One-half of the performance contingent phantom shares vest if the average closing price of Arch Coal, Inc.'s common stock for a period of 20 consecutive trading days meets or exceeds \$35.00, subject to the achievement of certain financial performance targets. Upon vesting of 9,100 performance contingent phantom shares on May 4, 2007, the reporting person received 2,275 shares of common stock, \$83,606 in cash and deferred receipt of 4,550 shares of common stock pursuant to the Arch Coal, Inc. Executive Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").

2. Each performance-contingent phantom share represents a right to receive one share of common or the cash value thereof, unless otherwise deferred at the reporting person's election, pursuant to the Plan. 3. The reporting person received 18,200 performance-contingent phantom shares on July 28, 2005. One-half of the performance-contingent phantom shares vest if the average closing price of Arch Coal's common stock for a period of 20 consecutive trading days meets or exceeds \$35.00 and the other half of the performance shares vest if the average closing price of Arch Coal's common stock for a period of 20 consecutive trading days meets or exceeds \$40.00, subject, in each case to the achievement of certain financial performance targets. On May 4, 2007, 9,100 performance-contingent phantom shares vested.

4. Shares of Arch Coal's common stock deferred pursuant to the Plan will be paid in annual installments or in a lump sum, at the reporting person's election, following termination of employment or on the dates specified by the reporting person in her payment election.

#### **Remarks:**

## <u>/s/ Gregory A. Billhartz,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

05/08/2007 Date

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).

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