FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHAI	NICES IN	RENEEICIAI	OWNEDSHI

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Drexler John T.				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]							(Ch	eck all applica Director	onship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title		n(s) to Issue 10% Ow Other (s)	ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE CITY PLACE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2015								X Officer (give title Offi below) below Sr. V.P. and CFO				Jecily		
(Street) ST. LOUIS (City)			53141 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			action  2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4)				5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo Reported	Form (D) o		Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
						Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 ar	tion(s)						
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)	Derivative Conversion Dat Security or Exercise (Mo		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day			ransaction Derivative ode (Instr. Securities		e Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) I (A) sed str.		е	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Owner Form: Direct or Indi (I) (Inst	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)	11(3)	
Performance Shares	\$4.1	02/26/2015			A		123,250		(1)		(2)	Common Stock	123,250	\$0.00	246,50	00	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$4.1	02/26/2015			A		123,250		(3)		(4)	Common Stock	123,250	\$0.00	318,45	50	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reporting person received 123,250 performance shares on February 26, 2015. The performance shares vest on February 26, 2018.
- 2. The performance shares do not expire.
- 3. The reporting person received 123,250 restricted stock units on February 26, 2015. The restricted stock units vest on February 26, 2018.
- 4. The restricted stock units do not expire.

## Remarks:

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

<u>Fact</u>

03/02/2015

\*\* 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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