FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]								5. Relationship of Rep (Check all applicable) X Director			Reporting Person(s) to Issuer le) 10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONECITYPLACE DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2015									Office below	r (give title)		Other (s	specify	
(Street) ST. LOU (City)			53141 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi Line) X	Form	r Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable I filed by One Reporting Person I filed by More than One Reporting on			
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
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							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		e	Transac	action(s) . 3 and 4)			(Instr. 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,	l. Fransaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of E		Expiration [6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	, E	LO. Dwnership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration ite	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er					
Phantom Stock	(1)	12/17/2015			A		714		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	714		\$0.98	26,579		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 certain portions of the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

Remarks:

/s/ Robert G. Jones, Attorney-

12/18/2015

in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- ** 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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