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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) ONE CITYPLA	(First) (Middle) ACE DRIVE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/28/2013		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
SUITE 300			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	idual or Joint/Group Filing	(Check Applicable			
(Street) ST. LOUIS	МО	63141		X	Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person	0			
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	3. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities / Disposed Of (5)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount (A) or Price		Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)

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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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				
Restricted Stock Units	\$5.23	02/28/2013		A		2,500		(1)	(2)	Common Stock	2,500	\$0.00	5,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person received 2,500 restricted stock units on February 28, 2013. The restricted stock units vest upon the retirement of the reporting person.

2. The restricted stock units do not expire.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-</u> <u>03/01/2013</u>

** 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).

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