CONSOL ENERGY INC

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hardesty David C Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

CONSOL ENERGY INC [CNX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

02/20/2009

Officer (give title below)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

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

CANONSBURG, PA 15317

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Α

\$0

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

value per share

shares,

\$0.01 par 02/20/2009

13 (1)

Α

 $6,297 \frac{(2)}{2}$

D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Hardesty David C Jr 1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE X CANONSBURG, PA 15317

Signatures

Alexander Reyes, his 02/24/2009 attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- 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).
- (1) Represents dividend equivalent rights earned under the Equity Incentive Plan as part of a grant of restricted stock units.
- (2) Of the 6,297 shares owned directly, 4,221 are restricted stock units including dividend equivalent rights.

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