King Robert Paul Form 4 February 18, 2010

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading King Robert Paul Issuer Symbol CONSOL Energy Inc [CNX] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify 1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE 02/16/2010 below) EVP - Bus. Advmt & Support Svs (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	<b>Derivative</b>	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/16/2010		A	3,340 (1)	A	\$ 0	13,901	D	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/16/2010		A	2,919 (2)	A	\$ 0	16,820	D	
Common shares,	02/17/2010		F	862 (3)	D	\$ 50.5	15,958	D	

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\$0.01 par value per share								
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/17/2010	F	497 (4) D	\$ 50.13	15,461 (5)	D		
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share					7,733	I	By 401(k) Plan	
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.  Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474								

 $\label{thm:convertible} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.5	02/16/2010		A	7,712	<u>(6)</u>	02/16/2020	Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	7,712

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
King Robert Paul 1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE			EVP - Bus. Advmt & Support Svs				

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CANONSBURG, PA 15317

## **Signatures**

/s/ Robert P. King by Stephanie Gill, his attorney-in-fact

02/18/2010

\*\*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) Grant of restricted stock units, which vest over a period of three years, under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan.
- (2) Represents the vesting and settlement of performance share units previously granted to the reporting person under the Long Term Incentive Program for the 2007-2009 performance period.
- (3) Represents shares withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability resulting from the vesting and settlement of the performance share units reported herein.
- (4) Represents shares withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability resulting from the vesting of restricted stock units previously granted to him.
- (5) Of the 15,461 shares owned directly, 9,041 are restricted stock units including dividend equivalent rights.
- (6) Stock option grant provides that options will vest 1/3 per year beginning on February 16, 2011.

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