GUPTA RAJ Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GUPTA RAJ**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

CONSOL Energy Inc [CNX]

(Check all applicable)

1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

12/19/2011

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CANONSBURG, PA 15317

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative)	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi or(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/19/2011				` ´		30,200	D	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/19/2011		F	1,614 (1)	D	\$ 35.1	28,586 <u>(2)</u>	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number conf Derivative Securities 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)	\$ 11.33	12/19/2011		M	5,000	(3)	02/23/2014	Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
GUPTA RAJ 1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE CANONSBURG, PA 15317	X					

Signatures

/s/ Raj K. Gupta by Stephanie Gill, his attorney-in-fact

12/21/2011

**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 shares withheld to pay the exercise price of the stock option in connection with the exercise of the option.
- Of the 28,586 shares owned directly, 2,387 are deferred stock units and 4,805 are restricted stock units and deferred shares (including dividend equivalent rights).
- (3) Stock option grant provides that options vest 33% per year beginning on February 23, 2005.

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