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

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Cochran Kenneth D.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

ARCH COAL INC [ACI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Sr. VP - Operations

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE, SUITE

(Street)

(First)

300

(Month/Day/Year) 11/12/2014

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

> > (Instr. 4)

Person

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

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

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

any

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

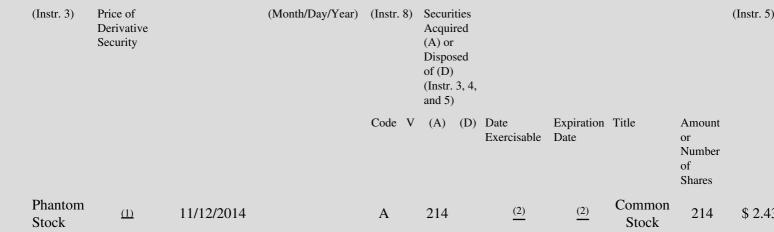
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5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** Derivative (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price **Underlying Securities** Derivati (Instr. 3 and 4) Security

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cochran Kenneth D.

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

SUITE 300 Sr. VP - Operations

Signatures

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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- * 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).

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 Executive Officer through the Arch Coal, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan") and represent past

- (1) compensation, the vested portion of restricted stock awards and/or payouts under other incentive compensation arrangements that the Executive Officer elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal Common stock and/or dividends paid with respect to such deferral amounts.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash on the date or dates elected by the executive officer, subject to the terms of the Plan. The executive officer may transfer any and all of the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

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