ARCH COAL INC Form 4 April 28, 2015

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANRAHAN PAUL T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ARCH COAL INC [ACI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

04/24/2015

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below)

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE, SUITE 300

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Issuer

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

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities Acquired 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8		(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	•				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 1.03	04/24/2015		M			22,650	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	22,650
Phantom Stock	(3)	04/24/2015		M		22,650		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	22,650

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
HANRAHAN PAUL T ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 300 ST. LOUIS, MO 63141	X						

Signatures

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-Fact 04/28/2015

**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) The reporting person received 22,650 restricted stock units on April 23, 2014. The restricted stock units vested on April 23, 2015.
- (2) The restricted stock units do not expire.
- (3) Each share of phantom stock represents the deferral of the receipt of one share of common stock pursuant to Arch Coal, Inc.'s deferred compensation plan.
- (4) Each share of phantom stock represents a right to receive one share of common stock.

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