Strobel Jeffrey W. Form 4 March 01, 2013

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(State)

Strobel Jeffrey W.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ARCH COAL INC [ACI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/28/2013

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

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) Vice Pres, Bus Dev & Strategy

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

Issuer

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

Transaction(s)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

Conversion or Exercise

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

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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)	Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	ed of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options	\$ 5.23	02/28/2013		A		90,200		<u>(1)</u>	02/28/2023	Common Stock	90,200
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 5.23	02/28/2013		A		43,650		(2)	(3)	Common Stock	43,650

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Strobel Jeffrey W.

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE Vice Pres, Bus Dev & Strategy ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

Signatures

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, 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) The options vest ratably over 3 years as follows: 30,067 shares vest on February 28, 2014; 30,067 shares vest on February 28, 2015; and 30,066 shares vest on February 28, 2016.
- (2) The reporting person received 43,650 restricted stock units on February 28, 2013. The restricted stock units vest on February 28, 2016.
- (3) The restricted stock units do not expire.

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