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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Cochran Kenneth D.

ARCH COAL INC [ACI]

(Check all applicable)

Sr. VP - Operations

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE, SUITE

(Street)

300

04/30/2014

below)

Other (specify below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

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

(State)

Execution Date, if

(Zip)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

Owned

6. Ownership Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(I)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(Month/Day/Year)

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

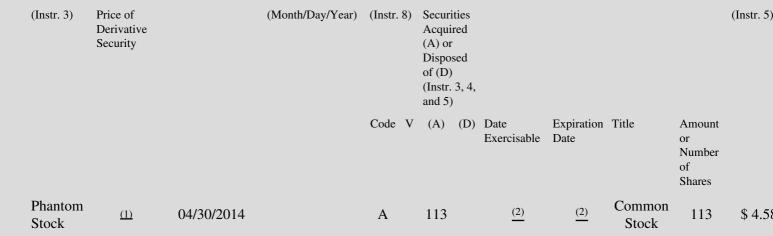
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionof **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivati Security or Exercise Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security any

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cochran Kenneth D.
ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE
SUITE 300

Sr. VP - Operations

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

Signatures

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-Fact 05/01/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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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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