## **Arch Coal Board Declares Quarterly Dividend**

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St. Louis, Missouri – February 25, 1999 - The board of directors of Arch Coal, Inc. (NYSE:ACI) today declared a quarterly dividend of 11.5 cents per share on the company's common stock. The dividend is payable March 15, 1999, to shareholders of record on March 8, 1999.

Arch Coal is the nation's second largest coal producer, with subsidiary operations in West Virginia, Kentucky, Virginia, Illinois, Wyoming, Colorado and Utah. Through these operations, Arch Coal provides the fuel for approximately 6% of the electricity generated in the United States