

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>EAVES JOHN W</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>ST. LOUIS MO 63141</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ARCH COAL INC [ ACI ]</u> <hr/> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/15/2007</u> <hr/> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <p style="text-align: center;"><b>President &amp; COO</b></p>	
			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.73	54,319	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		1,200	D	\$38.74	53,119	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$38.75	52,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$38.76	52,319	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		200	D	\$38.77	52,119	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$38.78	51,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		100	D	\$38.79	51,619	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		200	D	\$38.8	51,419	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.82	50,819	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.84	50,219	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		500	D	\$38.85	49,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		200	D	\$38.86	49,519	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		1,300	D	\$38.87	48,219	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.88	47,619	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		200	D	\$38.89	47,419	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		1,100	D	\$38.9	46,319	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.91	45,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		500	D	\$38.92	45,219	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		700	D	\$38.93	44,519	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$38.94	44,119	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$38.95	43,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		900	D	\$38.96	42,819	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		300	D	\$38.98	42,519	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		600	D	\$38.99	41,919	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		100	D	\$39	41,819	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		500	D	\$39.01	41,319	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		700	D	\$39.02	40,619	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		500	D	\$39.03	40,119	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		400	D	\$39.04	39,719	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	05/15/2007		S		700	D	\$39.05	39,019	D	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The exercise of employee stock options and sale of underlying shares of common stock by the executive officer reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the executive officer on December 21, 2006.

**Remarks:**

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/s/ Gregory A. Billhartz,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/17/2007

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person      Date

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

\* 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).

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