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St. Louis - October 9, 2001 - Arch Coal, Inc. (NYSE:ACI) will discuss its third quarter financial results in a conference call that will be broadcast live over the Internet on Monday, October 22, 2001, at 11 a.m. Eastern time. Participating in the call will be Steven F. Leer, Arch's president and chief executive officer, and Robert J. Messey, Arch's senior vice president and chief financial officer.

The webcast will be accessible via the "investor" section of the Arch Coal website, at www.archcoal.com. Following the live event, replays of the webcast will be available on the site until November 5, 2001.

Arch Coal's third quarter earnings release will be distributed via PR Newswire prior to the market's opening on the day of the call, and will be posted to the company's website at that time.

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