#### WOODRING KENNETH G

Form 4

February 02, 2005

## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and	Address of Repo	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name or	nd Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to		
	NG KENNET	_	Symbol	d licker of frading	Issuer		
			ARCH COAL I	NC [ACI]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest 7	Fransaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)		Director 10% Owner		
ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE			01/31/2005		X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
					Exec. VP-Mining Operations		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Γ	Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Ye	ar)	Applicable Line)		
					_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ST. LOUIS	s, MO 63141				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne		
1 Title of	2 Transaction	Date 2A Dec	emed 3	4 Securities Acquired	5 Amount of 6 Ownership 7 Natu		

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative (	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Transactio Code	4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	, ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		- /	Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/31/2005		A	2,082	A	\$ 36.55	14,576	D	
Common Stock	01/31/2005		A	0	A	\$0	2,384	I	By 401(k) plan

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Underlying Securit (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Securities	8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/31/2005		M	2,082	(2)	(3)	Common Stock	2,082	\$ 3

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
WOODRING KENNETH G			Exec.					
ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE			VP-Mining					
ST. LOUIS, MO 63141			Operations					

## **Signatures**

/s/ Janet L. Horgan, Attorney-in-Fact 02/02/2005

\*\*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) 1-for-1
- (2) Vested on January 31, 2005 based on the closing price of Arch Coal, Inc.'s common stock on January 31, 2005.
- (3) There is no expiration date for the Restricted Stock Units.

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