ARCH COAL INC Form 4 February 12, 2008

## 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 Addi FELDMAN SI		ng Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an approacte)		
ONECITYPLACE DRIVE		Ε	(Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2008	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP - Human Resources		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ST. LOUIS, MO 63141				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative :	Securi	ities Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common stock (1)	02/11/2008		M	3,000	A	\$ 8.72	9,293	D	
Common stock (1)	02/11/2008		S	3,000	D	\$ 54	6,293	D	

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date urities (Month/Day/Year) uritied or possed of tr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee stock options (right to buy) (1)	\$ 8.72	02/11/2008		M	3,000	(2)	02/03/2013	Common stock	3,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FELDMAN SHEILA B ONECITYPLACE DRIVE ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

VP - Human Resources

## **Signatures**

/s/ Gregory A. Billhartz Attorney-in-fact

02/12/2008

\*\*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) 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.
- The reporting person received 60,000 stock options on February 3, 2003. The stock options vested ratably over a three year period as (2) follows: 20,000 stock options vested on February 3, 2004; 20,000 stock options vested on February 3, 2005; and 20,000 stock options vested on February 3, 2006.

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