ARCH COAL INC Form 4

June 16, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALLBRITTEN BRADLEY M			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) t Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Cheek all applicable)		
ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE, SUITE 300			(Month/Day/Year) 06/14/2005	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Vice President - Marketing		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
ST. LOUIS, I	MO 63141		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed 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. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	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)
Common Stock	06/14/2005		M	9,200	A	\$ 21.95	0	D	
Common Stock	06/14/2005		M	17,700	A	\$ 18.15	0	D	
Common Stock	06/14/2005		S	26,900	D	\$ 54.034	446	I	By 401(k) plan

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration (Month/Day		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Employee Stock Options	\$ 21.95	06/14/2005		M	9,200	(1)	02/22/2011	Common Stock	9,
Employee Stock Options	\$ 18.15	06/14/2005		M	17,70	0 (2)	02/29/2012	CommonStock	17

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ALLBRITTEN BRADLEY M ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 300 ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

Vice President - Marketing

Signatures

/s/ Janet L. Horgan, Attorney-in-Fact 06/16/2005

**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) These options vested as follows: 3,067 on February 22, 2002; 3,067 on February 22, 2003; and 3,066 on February 22, 2004.
- (2) These options vested as follows: 5,900 on February 28, 2003; 5,900 on February 29, 2004; and 5,900 on February 28, 2005.

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