ARCH COAL INC Form 4/A March 01, 2006

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POTTER ROBERT G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARCH COAL INC [ACI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
<i>a</i>	(E' .)	arın)		(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner		
ONECITYPLACE DRIVE			03/01/2006	${\text{below})} \text{Officer (give title } {\text{below})} \text{Other (specify below)}$		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
			03/01/2006	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
ST. LOUIS, MO 63141			03/01/2000	Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner		

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/01/2006		Code V	Amount 3,400	or (D)	Price \$ 75.17	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 7,400	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/01/2006		P	2,400	A	\$ 75.2	9,800	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/01/2006		P	100	A	\$ 75.07	9,900	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	03/01/2006		P	100	A	\$ 75.1	10,000	I	By Trust	

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)

2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					Exercisable	Date				
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
POTTER ROBERT G ONECITYPLACE DRIVE ST. LOUIS, MO 63141	X							

Signatures

/s/ Gregory A. Billhartz,
Attorney-in-Fact
03/01/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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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