POTTER ROBERT G Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * POTTER ROBERT G

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

(Zip)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

ARCH COAL INC [ACI]

Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

06/30/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141

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(State) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price 4. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionof **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivati Security or Exercise Code Derivative (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Securities (Instr. 5)

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Se	Security				(A) or								
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					(Instr.	3, 4,							
					and 5))							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date	Expiration	Title	Amount			
							Exercisable	-		or			
										Number			
										of			
										Shares			
Phantom	(1)	06/30/2011	Α		900		(2)	(2)	Common	900	\$ 26.6		

Acquired

Stock

Reporting Owners

Derivative

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures

Stock

/s/ Jon S. Ploetz, Attorney-in-Fact 07/01/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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).
- Each share of phantom stock represents a right to receive the value in cash of one share of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock. The shares of phantom stock are held by the director through the Arch Coal, Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and represent past compensation that the director elected to defer under the Plan into a hypothetical investment in shares of Arch Coal, Inc. common stock and/or dividends attributable to such deferred amounts.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of the director's service as a director of Arch Coal, Inc. The director may transfer amounts held in the phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.

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