

Godley Patricia Fry  
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**FORM 5**

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Godley Patricia Fry  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 ARCH COAL INC [ACI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

ONE CITYPLACE  
 DRIVE, SUITE 300  
 (Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2004

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

ST. LOUIS, MO 63141  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting  
 (check applicable line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. De
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Derivative Security					or Disposed of (D)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
	(A)	(D)	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)							
Phantom Stock	12/31/2004 <sup>(2)</sup>			A	1,411		<sup>(3)</sup>	<sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	1,411

### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Godley Patricia Fry ONE CITYPLACE DRIVE SUITE 300 ST. LOUIS, MO 63141	X			

### Signatures

/s/ Janet L. Horgan,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 02/14/2005

### 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) Acquired on various dates in 2004 pursuant to Arch Coal, Inc.'s Director Compensation Plan.
- (3) Payable in cash upon termination of the Reporting Person's service on Arch Coal's Board.

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