

ARCH COAL INC  
Form 8-K  
April 27, 2010

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): April 27, 2010 (April 22, 2010)**

**Arch Coal, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

1-13105  
(Commission File Number)

43-0921172  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

CityPlace One  
One CityPlace Drive, Suite 300  
St. Louis, Missouri 63141

(Address, including zip code, of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (314) 994-2700

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

The annual meeting of stockholders of Arch Coal, Inc. (the Company) was held on April 22, 2010. The following proposals were submitted by the Board of Directors to a vote of security holders and the final results of the voting on each proposal is noted below.

**Proposal 1 Election of Directors**

The following four directors were nominated to serve for three-year terms expiring at the annual meeting of stockholders to be held in 2013, or when their successors are otherwise duly elected and qualified. The four directors, as indicated below, were elected as directors of the Company.

| <b>Nominee</b>    | <b>For</b>  | <b>Withheld</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Brian J. Jennings | 127,706,548 | 1,393,658       | 14,787,788              |
| Steven F. Leer    | 122,658,780 | 6,441,427       | 14,787,788              |
| Robert G. Potter  | 127,117,173 | 1,983,033       | 14,787,788              |
| Theodore D. Sands | 126,908,993 | 2,191,213       | 14,787,788              |

**Proposal 2 The Ratification of the Appointment of Ernst & Young, LLP, as Arch Coal, Inc.'s Independent Public Accounting Firm**

The stockholders were asked to ratify the appointment of Ernst & Young, LLP, as Arch Coal, Inc.'s independent public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2010. The appointment was approved by the requisite vote of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, as indicated below.

| <b>For</b>  | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 143,211,063 | 483,347        | 193,584        | 18,584,107              |

**Proposal 3 The Approval of an Amendment and Restatement of the Arch Coal, Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan**

The stockholders were asked to approve an Amendment and Restatement of the Arch Coal, Inc. 1997 Stock Incentive Plan. The amendment and restatement was approved by the requisite vote of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, as indicated below.

| <b>For</b>  | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 117,467,751 | 10,073,652     | 16,346,591     | 18,584,107              |

**Proposal 4 Section 162(m) Approval of Arch Coal's Incentive Compensation Plan for Executive Officers**

The stockholders were asked to approve a Section 162(m) Approval of Arch Coal's Incentive Compensation Plan for Executive Officers. The Section 162(m) Approval of Arch Coal's Incentive Compensation Plan for Executive Officers was approved by the requisite vote of a majority of the shares represented in person or by proxy and entitled to vote, as indicated below.

| <b>For</b>  | <b>Against</b> | <b>Abstain</b> | <b>Broker Non-Votes</b> |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| 138,116,397 | 5,234,437      | 537,160        | 18,584,107              |

**Signatures**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 27, 2010

Arch Coal, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert G. Jones  
Robert G. Jones  
Senior Vice President -- Law, General  
Counsel and Secretary