ARCH COAL INC Form 8-K September 18, 2008

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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): September 18, 2008 (September 18, 2008)

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On September 18, 2008, several senior executive officers of Arch Coal, Inc. (the Company) will be delivering presentations at the Company s Analyst Day that will include written communications comprised of slides. The slides from the presentations are attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and are hereby incorporated by reference.

A copy of the slides will be available at http://investor.archcoal.com/events.cfm for 30 days.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto and furnished herewith.

Exhibit

No. Description

99.1 Slides from the presentations at the Arch Coal, Inc. Analyst Day.

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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: September 18, 2008 Arch Coal, Inc.

By: /s/ Robert G. Jones Robert G. Jones

Vice President-Law, General Counsel &

Secretary

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