#### **CONSOL ENERGY INC**

Form 4

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1(b).

Form 4 or

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* LYONS WILLIAM J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

CONSOL ENERGY INC [CNX]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2007

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

Exec. VP & CFO

1800 WASHINGTON ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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Person

PITTSBURGH, PA 15241

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of 4 and 3 (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/20/2007		M(1)	5,800	(D)	\$ 6.805	66,392	D	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/20/2007		S <u>(1)</u>	5,800	D	\$ 70	60,592	D	
Common shares,	12/21/2007		M <u>(1)</u>	14,200	A	\$ 6.805	74,792	D	

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\$0.01 par value per share							
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	1,200	D	\$ 70	73,592	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S(1)	200	D	\$ 70.005	73,392	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S(1)	500	D	\$ 70.01	72,892	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 70.015	72,792	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	\$ 70.02	71,792	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S(1)	100	D	\$ 70.025	71,692	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S(1)	300	D	\$ 70.035	71,392	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S(1)	1,000	D	\$ 70.04	70,392	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par	12/21/2007	S(1)	1,009	D	\$ 70.05	69,383	D

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value per share						
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	605	D	\$ 70.06 68,778	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	400	D	\$ 70.07 68,378	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 70.095 68,178	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 70.11 67,978	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 70.115 67,878	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	600	D	\$ 70.12 67,278	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 70.13 67,078	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	100	D	\$ 70.15 66,978	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 70.16 66,778	D

#### share

Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	91	D	\$ 70.18 66,687	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	195	D	\$ 70.2 66,492	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	200	D	\$ 70.21 66,292	D
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	12/21/2007	S <u>(1)</u>	391	D	\$ 70.22 65,901 (2)	D

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 Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A) d of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.805	12/20/2007		M <u>(1)</u>	5,800	(3)	09/10/2012	Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	5,800
	\$ 6.805	12/21/2007		M(1)	14,200	(3)	09/10/2012		14,200

Stock
Option
(right to \$0.01 par buy)

Stock
Common \$0.01 par \$0.01 par value per share

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LYONS WILLIAM J			Exec.					
1800 WASHINGTON ROAD			VP &					
PITTSBURGH, PA 15241			CFO					

# **Signatures**

/s/ William J. Lyons by Stephanie Gill, his attorney-in-fact

12/26/2007

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

### **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) Transaction effected pursuant to Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 1, 2007.
- (2) Of the 65,901 shares owned directly, 39,428 are restricted stock units including dividend equivalent rights.
- (3) Stock option grant provides that options vest 25% per year beginning September 10, 2003.

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