ARCH COAL INC Form 8-K November 13, 2012

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): November 13, 2012 (November 13, 2012)

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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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On November 13, 2012, Arch Coal, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing the commencement of a private offering of \$350.0 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured notes due 2019 (the <u>Notes</u>). The Notes will be offered only to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act), and to non-U.S. persons in transactions outside the United States in reliance on Regulation S under the Securities Act. The Company also announced in a separate press release that it has exercised its option under the terms of its senior secured credit facility to request incremental term loans thereunder of \$250.0 million. Copies of these press releases are attached hereto as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2, respectively.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto and furnished herewith.

Exhibit
No.Description99.1Press release dated November 13, 2012.99.2Press release dated November 13, 2012.

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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: November 13, 2012

Arch Coal, Inc.

By:

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

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