ARCH COAL INC Form 8-K May 22, 2015

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): May 22, 2015 (May 21, 2015)

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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- 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 3.01 Notice of Delisting or Failure to Satisfy a Continued Listing Rule or Standard; Transfer of Listing.

On May 21, 2015, Arch Coal, Inc. (the Company) was notified by the New York Stock Exchange (the NYSE) that the average closing price of the Company s common stock had fallen below \$1.00 per share over a period of 30 consecutive trading days, which is the minimum average share price required by the NYSE under Section 802.01C of the NYSE Listed Company Manual (Section 802.01C).

In response, as required by Section 802.01C, the Company plans to notify the NYSE of its intent to cure the deficiency and restore its compliance with the listing standards of Section 802.01C, and it will submit a plan outlining the actions it intends to take to do so. Under Section 802.01C, the Company has six months following receipt of the notification to regain compliance with the minimum share price requirement.

The notice has no immediate impact on the listing of the Company s common stock, which will continue to be listed and traded on the NYSE during this period, subject to the Company s compliance with other listing standards, under the symbol ACI, but with the added designation of .bc to indicate the Company s below compliance status. In the event that the Company fails to restore its compliance with the continued listing standards of Section 802.01C, that section calls for the NYSE to commence procedures for the suspension and delisting of the Company s common stock.

As required under Section 802.01C, the Company issued a press release on May 22, 2015, announcing that it had received a notice of noncompliance. A copy of that press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto and filed herewith.

Exhibit

No. 99.1

Press Release dated May 22, 2015

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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: May 22, 2015

Arch Coal, Inc.

By:

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

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Press Release, dated May 22, 2015

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