

ARCH COAL INC  
Form 8-K  
September 25, 2017

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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**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 25, 2017**

**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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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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On September 25, 2017, Arch Coal, Inc. ( Arch Coal ) entered into the First Amendment (the Amendment ) to its Credit Agreement, dated as of March 7, 2017, among Arch Coal as borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, as administrative agent and collateral agent.

The Amendment reduces the interest rate on the \$300 million term loan facility to, at the option of Arch Coal, either (i) the London interbank offered rate ( LIBOR ) plus an applicable margin of 3.25%, subject to a 1% LIBOR floor, or (ii) a base rate plus an applicable margin of 2.25%. The Amendment also resets the 1.00% call premium to apply to repricing events that occur on or prior to March 26, 2018.

The description of the Amendment is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Amendment, a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit 10.1.

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On September 25, 2017, Arch Coal issued a press release announcing its entry into the Amendment. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information set forth in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are attached hereto and filed herewith.

Exhibit No.	Description
10.1	<u>First Amendment to Credit Agreement, dated as of September 25, 2017, among Arch Coal, Inc. as borrower, the lenders from time to time party thereto, and Credit Suisse AG, Cayman Islands Branch, in its capacities as administrative agent and as collateral agent</u>

99.1 Press Release dated September 25, 2017

**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.

Date: September 25, 2017

Arch Coal, Inc.

By:

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