CONSOL ENERGY INC

Form 4

March 15, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WHITMIRE JOHN L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

CONSOL ENERGY INC [CNX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2005

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

(Check all applicable)

1800 WASHINGTON ROAD

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

PITTSBURGH, PA 15241

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Di	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported	(Instr. 4)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common						Φ			
Shares (restricted)	03/14/2005(1)		A	269	A	\$ 45.75	93,019	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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 10.56					11/17/1999	11/17/2009	Common Shares	2,367	
Stock Options	\$ 18.81					10/25/2000	10/25/2010	Common Shares	1,329	
Stock Options	\$ 26.53					10/25/2001	10/25/2011	Common Shares	943	
Stock Options	\$ 13.61					09/10/2002	09/10/2012	Common Shares	1,837	
Stock Options	\$ 17.2					04/30/2003	04/30/2013	Common Shares	1,454	
Stock Options	\$ 30.78					04/27/2004	04/27/2014	Common Shares	831	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WHITMIRE JOHN L						
1800 WASHINGTON ROAD	X					
PITTSBURGH, PA 15241						

Signatures

J. L. Whitmire by P. M. Greene, by his attorney-in-fact 03/15/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Reporting Individual and Transfer Agent informed of this transaction on 3/14/05 and transfer agent advised that shares should be issued as of 2/25/05.

Date

Reporting Owners 2

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