

CONSOL Energy Inc  
Form 8-K  
March 08, 2012

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

Washington, D.C. 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): March 6, 2012**

**CONSOL Energy Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-14901**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**51-0337383**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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**CNX Center**

**1000 CONSOL Energy Drive**

**Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317**

**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**(Zip code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code:**

**(724) 485-4000**

**Not applicable**

**(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)**

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 (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. 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))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On March 6, 2012, the registrant issued a press release regarding its decision to temporarily idle its southwest Virginia Buchanan Mine longwall mining unit and reduce its continuous mining operating schedule to five days per week. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by this reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits.*

The following exhibits are filed or furnished in accordance with the provisions of Item 601 of Regulation S-K:

<b>Exhibit</b>	
<b>Number</b>	<b>Description of Exhibit</b>
Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated March 6, 2012 regarding Longwall Mining at Buchanan Mine.

**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.

**CONSOL ENERGY INC.**

By: /s/ Stephen W. Johnson  
Stephen W. Johnson,  
Senior Vice President & General Counsel

Dated: March 8, 2012

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