

ARCH COAL INC  
Form SC 13D/A  
December 18, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934\*

(Amendment No. 5)

Arch Coal, Inc.

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01

(Title of Class of Securities)

039380407

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

Michael Kelly, Esq.

Monarch Alternative Capital LP

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New York, NY 10022

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person

Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

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December 14, 2018

(Date of Event which Requires

Filing of this Schedule)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box:

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
Monarch Alternative Capital LP

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF (a)  
A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS  
N/A

5 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF  
LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED  
PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF  
ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER  
0

NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY 8 SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 1,558,732  
EACH

REPORTING  
PERSON WITH 9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
1,558,732

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH  
PERSON  
1,558,732

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE  
AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)  
8.29%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
PN, IA

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| 1 | NAME OF REPORTING PERSON<br><br>MDRA GP LP   |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF (a)<br>A MEMBER OF A GROUP (b)                                  |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY   |
| 4 | SOURCE OF FUNDS<br>N/A   |
| 5 | CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF<br>LEGAL PROCEEDING IS REQUIRED<br>PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) |
| 6 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF<br>ORGANIZATION<br>Delaware  |
|   | 7 SOLE VOTING POWER<br>0   |
| 8 | NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIALLY<br>OWNED BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON WITH          |
|   | 8 SHARED VOTING POWER<br>1,558,732   |
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Monarch GP LLC

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This Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13D (this "Amendment No. 5") is being filed with respect to the common shares, par value \$0.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of Arch Coal, Inc. (the "Issuer"), to amend the Schedule 13D filed on October 17, 2016 (together with Amendment No.1 to Schedule 13D filed on November 22, 2016, Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D filed on September 15, 2017, Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D filed on December 12, 2017 and Amendment No. 4 to Schedule 13D filed on December 3, 2018 (which was inadvertently filed as Schedule 13D), the "Schedule 13D"). Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Schedule 13D.

Item 4. Purpose of the Transaction.

Item 4 of the Schedule 13D is hereby amended to include the following:

On December 14, 2018, in an effort to assist the Issuer in its share buyback program by making shares of Common Stock available for purchase in addition to the shares available in the open market, MAC proposed to the Issuer that the Issuer repurchase 558,000 shares of Common Stock from the Funds at a price of \$87.00 per share. The Issuer declined MAC's proposal, indicating that it has been satisfied with the number of shares that it has been able to purchase through open market transactions.

[Signatures on following page]

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: December 18, 2018 MONARCH ALTERNATIVE CAPITAL LP

By: MDRA GP LP, its General Partner

By: Monarch GP LLC, its General Partner

By:/s/ Michael Weinstock  
Name: Michael Weinstock  
Title: Member

Dated: December 18, 2018 MDRA GP LP

By: Monarch GP LLC, its General Partner

By:/s/ Michael Weinstock  
Name: Michael Weinstock  
Title: Member

Dated: December 18, 2018 MONARCH GP LLC

By:/s/ Michael Weinstock  
Name: Michael Weinstock  
Title: Member