

CONSOL ENERGY INC

Form 4

February 21, 2008

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Richey P Jerome

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1800 WASHINGTON ROAD

(Street)

PITTSBURGH, PA 15241

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CONSOL ENERGY INC [CNX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/19/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Sr. V.P. &amp; General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                 | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities<br>Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V                                                                          | Amount<br>(A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                                                         | Price                                                                |                                                                   |
| Common<br>shares,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value per<br>share | 02/19/2008                              |                                                             | A                                    |                                                                            | 1,695<br>(1)                                                                                                       | A \$ 0                                                               | 16,270 (2) 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                                                               | (A)                                                            | (D)                                                                 | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                              |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(right to<br>buy)                | \$ 78.65                                                              | 02/19/2008                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                                                                 | 4,609                                                          | <u>(3)</u><br>02/19/2018                                            | Common<br>shares,<br>\$0.01 par<br>value per<br>share<br>4,609      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                  | Relationships                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                                 | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Richey P Jerome<br>1800 WASHINGTON ROAD<br>PITTSBURGH, PA 15241 | Sr. V.P. & General Counsel       |

## Signatures

/s/ P. Jerome Richey by Alexander Reyes, his attorney  
in fact 02/21/2008

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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) Grant of restricted stock units, which vest over a period of three years, under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan.

(2) Of the 16,270 shares owned directly, 11,866 are restricted stock units including dividend equivalent rights.

(3) Stock option grant provides that options will vest one third per year beginning on February 19, 2009.

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