

HARVEY J BRETT  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HARVEY J BRETT**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE  
(Street)

CANONSBURG, PA 15317

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CONSOL Energy Inc [CNX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/17/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/17/2012		F		5,661 (1) \$ 37.26	D	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/21/2012		A		116 (2) \$ 37.39	D	
Common shares,					27,904	I	By 2010 GRAT

\$0.01 par value per share			
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	50,457	I	By 2011 GRAT
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	45,096	I	By 2012 GRAT
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	2,000	I	By Spouse's Revocable Trust <sup>(4)</sup>
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	9,481	I	By Trust for Daughter <sup>(5)</sup>
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	9,481	I	By Trust for Daughter <sup>(5)</sup>
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	9,481	I	By Trust for Son <sup>(5)</sup>
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	44,452	I	By 401 (k) Plan <sup>(6)</sup>

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARVEY J BRETT 1000 CONSOL ENERGY DRIVE CANONSBURG, PA 15317	X		Chairman and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ J. Brett Harvey by Stephanie Gill, his attorney-in-fact 02/22/2012

\_\_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) Represents shares withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability resulting from the vesting of restricted stock units previously granted to him.
- (2) Represents dividend equivalent rights earned under the Equity Incentive Plan as part of a grant of restricted stock units.
- (3) Of the 246,391 shares owned directly, 29,424 are restricted stock units and deferred shares (including dividend equivalent rights).
- (4) Shares held in Mrs. Harvey's Amended and Restated Revocable Trust, dated December 17, 2007, in which Mr. and Mrs. Harvey serve as trustees.
- (5) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for the purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (6) This number includes 146 shares acquired by the reporting person's 401 (k) account since January 5, 2012.

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