

CONSOL ENERGY INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

WHITMIRE JOHN L

(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)

05/04/2007

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)

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

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**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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share | 05/04/2007                           |  | A                  | 5,310 (1)   | A \$ 0 38,893 (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 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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy)                | \$ 42.37   | 05/04/2007                           |  | A                              | 590<br>(3)  | (4) 05/04/2017   | Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share                     | 590   |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

/s/ John L. Whitmire by Alexander Reyes, his attorney-in-fact

05/08/2007

\_\_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).

Represents deferred stock units issued pursuant to his April 27, 2004 Chairman's Agreement with CONSOL Energy Inc. (the "Chairman's Agreement"). The deferred stock units are payable in shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis plus equivalent amounts credited to such stock units equal to the dividends declared on an equivalent number of shares of Company common stock.

(2) Of the 38,893 shares owned directly, 10,453 are deferred stock units including dividend equivalent rights.

(3) Stock options issued pursuant to a grant under the Chairman's Agreement and subject to the terms of the Equity Incentive Plan.

(4) Stock option grant provides that stock options are fully vested and exercisable upon the date of grant.

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