

LYONS WILLIAM J  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
LYONS WILLIAM J

(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)  
02/29/2012

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)  
Exec. VP & C.F.O.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	02/29/2012		A	(A) Amount 15,066 (1)	\$ 0 119,322 (2)	D	
Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share					10,399	I	By 401 (k) Plan

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.82	02/29/2012		A	38,603	(3) 03/01/2022	Common shares, \$0.01 par value per share	38,603

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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Exec. VP & C.F.O.

## Signatures

/s/ William J. Lyons by Stephanie Gill, his attorney-in-fact

03/02/2012

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

(2) Of the 119,322 shares owned directly, 50,795 are restricted stock units and deferred shares (including dividend equivalent rights).

(3) Stock option grant provides that options will vest 1/3 per year beginning on March 1, 2013.

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