

Arch Coal Increases Profile in Asia; Hires Zhang Shijie to Lead Chinese Marketing Efforts

ST. LOUIS, June 3, 2013 /PRNewswire/ -- Arch Coal, Inc. (NYSE:ACI) today announced that its Arch Coal Asia-Pacific Pte. Ltd. subsidiary has increased its profile in China to help meet growing global demand for metallurgical and thermal coals. Arch has established an office in Beijing's Chaoyang District and hired Zhang Shijie to lead the effort. He will report to Renato Paladino, president of Arch Coal Asia-Pacific.

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"The opening of an office in China is a natural next step as we raise our stake in the seaborne coal trade," said Arch Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer Paul A. Lang. "In particular, a Beijing office will be advantageous as we expand our metallurgical coal portfolio with the addition of high-vol A product from our new Leer mine.

"We're pleased Zhang Shijie has joined Arch to foster relationships and identify opportunities in China," said Lang. "He brings a wealth of marketing experience in coal and other commodities and has an excellent business network that will enhance our growing international presence."

Zhang Shijie will facilitate metallurgical and thermal coal transactions and logistics in China. He has more than 20 years of experience in importing coal, cokes, minerals and metals. Zhang Shijie's linguistic skills include English and Mandarin. He is a graduate of China Foreign Affairs University in Beijing.

Arch Coal Asia-Pacific's new Beijing office is located at Unit 1489, Level 14, China World Office 1, 1 Jianguomenwai Avenue, Chaoyang District, Beijing 100004.

U.S.-based Arch Coal, Inc. is one of the world's top coal producers for the global steel and power generation industries, serving customers in 25 countries on five continents. Its network of mining complexes is the most diversified in the United States, spanning every major coal basin in the nation. The company controls a 5.5-billion-ton reserve base of high-quality metallurgical and thermal coals, with access to all major railroads, inland waterways and a growing number of seaborne trade channels.

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