

Arch Coal Named Among InformationWeek Elite 100 as One of Nation's Top Business Technology Innovators

ST. LOUIS, April 2, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Arch Coal, Inc. (NYSE:ACI) today earned a spot in the 2014 InformationWeek Elite 100.

This marks the ninth consecutive year that Arch Coal has been ranked one of the nation's most innovative users of business technology by InformationWeek.

"The 2014 InformationWeek Elite 100 highlights companies that are leading this digital business revolution, redefining business models and reshaping industries," said InformationWeek Editor In Chief Rob Preston.

This is InformationWeek's 26th year identifying and honoring the nation's most innovative users of information technology. For 2014, this assessment was narrowed from 500 organizations to an elite 100 organizations.

InformationWeek Elite 100 research tracks the technology-based investments, strategies and results of some of the best-known organizations in the country. Unique among corporate rankings, the InformationWeek Elite 100 spotlights the power of business technology innovation.

Arch Coal was recognized among the Elite 100 for applying technology in pursuit of continuous improvement across its national network of mining operations.

"Applying data mining technology helps Arch Coal work toward our ultimate goal of A Perfect Zero in safety and environmental compliance," said David E. Hartley, Arch Coal's vice president and chief information officer.

"We're deploying technology that facilitates efficient data collection and rapid analysis of trends to support a culture of prevention. Our strategic effort to couple information technology with our key performance indicators allows Arch to do more with less in a challenging business environment."

Arch Coal ranked 64, which is the top spot among Elite 100 companies based in St. Louis. The full 2014 list of top business technology innovators can be found online at <http://www.informationweek.com/elite100>.

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 more than 5 billion tons of high-quality metallurgical and thermal coal reserves, with access to all major railroads, inland waterways and a growing number of seaborne trade channels. For more information, visit www.archcoal.com.

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