

CONSOL ENERGY INC  
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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 \*  
Holt J A

(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)  
10/25/2005

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)  
Senior Vice President

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. 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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	10/25/2005		M		3,750 (1) \$ 26.53	A	13,023 D
Common Shares	10/25/2005		S		3,750 (1) \$ 68.5	D	9,273 (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)
Stock Options	\$ 26.53 <u>(1)</u>	10/25/2005		M	3,750 <u>(1)</u>	10/25/2002 <sup>(3)</sup> 10/25/2011	Common Shares 3,750

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Holt J A 1800 WASHINGTON ROAD PITTSBURGH, PA 15241			Senior Vice President	

## Signatures

J. A. Holt by P. M. Greene, his attorney-in-fact  
Date: 10/27/2005

\_\_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) All transactions pursuant to Rule 10(b)5-1 Trading Plan adopted by reportign person on November 16, 2004.

(2) Of the total 9,273 shares owned directly, 5,798 are restricted stock units including those received through dividend equivalent rights and approximately 200 shares received pursuant to the company's 401(k) plan between April 27, 2004 and the date hereof. The August 1, 2005 sale of 378 shares were restricted shares rather than unrestricted as previously reported.

(3) Original Stock Option grant provided that Stock Options will vest 25% per year beginning October 25, 2002.

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