

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

December 18, 2019

John T. Drexler Chief Financial Officer Arch Coal Inc. One CityPlace Drive Suite 300 St. Louis, MO 63141

> Re: Arch Coal Inc. Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2018 Filed February 14, 2019 File No. 001-13105

Dear Mr. Drexler:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Energy & Transportation

cc: Rosemary Klein