# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

January 18, 2005

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**CONSOL Energy Inc.** 

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-14901 (Commission File Number) **51-0337383** (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

**Identification No.)** 

**Consol Plaza** 

1800 Washington Road

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15241

(Address of principal executive offices including zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(412) 831-4000

#### Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01. Other Events.

The following information is filed pursuant to Item 8.01, Other Events.

CONSOL Energy Inc. issued a press release on January 18, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release of CONSOL Energy Inc. dated January 18, 2005.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

### CONSOL ENERGY INC.

By: /s/ William J. Lyons

William J. Lyons Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 18, 2005

### **Exhibit Index**

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of CONSOL Energy Inc. dated January 18, 2005.