CONSOL Energy Inc Form 8-K May 10, 2012

UNITED STATES 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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 8, 2012

CONSOL Energy Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-14901 (Commission **51-0337383** (IRS Employer

of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

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CNX Center

1000 CONSOL Energy Drive

Canonsburg, Pennsylvania 15317

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

(724) 485-4000

Not applicable

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

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Item 1.04 Mine Safety - Reporting of Shutdowns and Patterns of Violations.

On May 8, 2012, CONSOL Pennsylvania Coal Company LLC, a subsidiary of CONSOL Energy Inc. (the Company) and the operator of the Company s Bailey Mine located in West Finley, Pennsylvania, received an imminent danger order (the Order) from the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) with respect to the Bailey Mine under Section 107(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977. The Order was abated in less than an hour.

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/ Stephen W. Johnson Stephen W. Johnson Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Dated: May 10, 2012