

CONSOL ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
March 31, 2004

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

March 31, 2004

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

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**CONSOL Energy Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-14901  
(Commission File No.)

51-0337383  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

Consol Plaza  
1800 Washington Road

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**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)

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**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 9, Regulation FD Disclosure . CONSOL Energy Inc. issued a press release on March 31, 2004. A copy of the related press release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**CONSOL ENERGY INC.**

By: /s/ William J. Lyons

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William J. Lyons  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: March 31, 2004

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

99.1 Press Release of CONSOL Energy Inc. dated March 31, 2004.