LILLIS JAMES Form 4 April 02, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LILLIS JAMES

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ANTHRACITE CAPITAL INC [AHR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2009

C/O BLACKROCK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC., 40 EAST

(Middle)

(Zip)

52ND STREET

(City)

(Last)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title below) CFO and Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

NEW YORK, NY 10022

3. 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount

Common 03/31/2009 $C^{(1)}$ 3,319 A (1) 15,504 D Stock

Common J(2)03/31/2009 14.098 D 1,406 D (2) Stock

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 onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A or N of
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/31/2009		C <u>(1)</u>		3,319	03/31/2009(4)	03/31/2009	Common Stock	· · ·
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/31/2009		J <u>(6)</u>	10,000		06/30/2010(7)	06/30/2012	Common Stock	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

LILLIS JAMES C/O BLACKROCK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 40 EAST 52ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10022

CFO and Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Richard M. Shea as Attorney-in-Fact 04/02/2009

**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).
- In 2007, BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. (the "Manager"), the manager of Anthracite Capital, Inc. (the "Company"), granted

 Restricted Stock Units in respect of shares of the Company's common stock to the reporting person under the BlackRock, Inc. Involuntary

 Deferred Compensation Plan. Each Restricted Stock Unit is payable by delivery of a share of the Company's common stock or the cash value thereof.
- Shares of the Company's common stock withheld by the Manager to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations arising (2) from conversion of Restricted Stock Units, calculated based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on March 30, 2009 (\$0.35).
- (**3**) 1-for-1
- (4) Vested on grant date (March 15, 2007), but not able to be settled until March 31, 2009.
- (5) Held in trust by BlackRock, Inc.

(6)

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In 2009, the Manager granted Restricted Stock Units in respect of shares of the Company's common stock to the reporting person under the BlackRock, Inc. Involuntary Deferred Compensation Plan. Each Restricted Stock Unit is payable by delivery of a share of the Company's common stock or the cash value thereof.

(7) Vests one-third on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of June 30, 2009.

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