LILLIS JAMES Form 4 March 18, 2008

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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may continue.

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **LILLIS JAMES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ANTHRACITE CAPITAL INC

[AHR]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2008

10% Owner Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CFO and Treasurer

C/O BLACKROCK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC., 40 EAST **52ND STREET**

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	• •	any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/14/2008		C	340	A	<u>(1)</u>	6,140	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2008		J(2)	115	D	<u>(2)</u>	6,025	D	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. 5. Number re, if Transaction Code Derivative		mber	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any			(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)						
	Derivative Security				Acquired (A) or					
	~~~~			Disposed						
					of (D)					
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
					una 5	,				
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of
				Code V	V (A)	(D)				Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(3)	03/14/2008		C		340	06/30/2007(1)	06/30/2009	Common Stock	340
(1)									Stock	

## **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 03/18/2008

**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).
- BlackRock Financial Management, Inc. (the "Manager"), the manager of Anthracite Capital, Inc. (the "Company"), previously 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 Company common stock or the cash value thereof and vests one-third on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of June 30, 2006.
- (2) Shares of Company common stock withheld by the Manager to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligations, calculated based on the closing price of the Company's common stock on March 13, 2008 (\$6.29).
- (**3**) 1-for-1
- (4) Held in trust by BlackRock, Inc.

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