

LILLIS JAMES  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ANTHRACITE CAPITAL INC  
[AHR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/14/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
CFO and Treasurer

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |       | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2008                           |  | C                              | V   | 340   | A   | 6,140  | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 03/14/2008                           |  | J <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 115   | D   | 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 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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Unit <u>(1)</u>           | <u>(3)</u>   | 03/14/2008                           |  | C                              | 340   | 06/30/2007 <sup>(1)</sup> 06/30/2009                     | Common Stock  | 340                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                   |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer           | Other |
| LILLIS JAMES<br>C/O BLACKROCK FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, INC.<br>40 EAST 52ND STREET<br>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).
- (1) 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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