Pacific Ethanol, Inc. Form 4 May 18, 2006

#### FORM 4

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

TURNER RYAN W

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]					(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5711 N. WEST AVENUE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2006					Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) former Chief Operating Officer					
	(Street)		4. If Ame	ndment, Da	te Origina	1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction De (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution	emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	on Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  Day/Year) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	05/16/2006			Code V S	Amount 800	(D)	Price \$ 34.73	49,200	D			
Common Stock	05/16/2006			S	100	D	\$ 34.9	49,100	D			
Common Stock	05/16/2006			S	800	D	\$ 35	48,300	D			
Common Stock	05/16/2006			S	230	D	\$ 35.1	48,070	D			
Common Stock	05/16/2006			S	569	D	\$ 35.15	47,501	D			

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Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	4	00	D	\$ 35.2	47,101	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	4	00	D	\$ 35.25	46,701	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	00	D	\$ 35.26	46,601	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	3	,400	D	\$ 35.28	43,201	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,000	D	\$ 35.29	42,201	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,301	D	\$ 35.3	40,900	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	4	00	D	\$ 35.32	40,500	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	7	00	D	\$ 35.34	39,800	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,600	D	\$ 35.44	38,200	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,100	D	\$ 35.48	37,100	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	9	00	D	\$ 35.63	36,200	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,100	D	\$ 35.65	35,100	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	4	00	D	\$ 35.69	34,700	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	2	00	D	\$ 35.81	34,500	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	2	00	D	\$ 35.84	34,300	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	4	00	D	\$ 35.89	33,900	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,700	D	\$ 35.9	32,200	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	2	00	D	\$ 35.94	32,000	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1	,700	D	\$ 35.98	30,300	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	8	00	D	\$ 36	29,500	D
	05/16/2006	S	1	,000	D		28,500	D

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Common Stock					\$ 36.04		
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	200	D	\$ 36.06	28,300	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	900	D	\$ 36.08	27,400	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1,201	D	\$ 36.09	26,199	D
Common Stock	05/16/2006	S	1,200	D	\$ 36.1	24,999	D

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TURNER RYAN W 5711 N. WEST AVENUE FRESNO, CA 93711

former Chief Operating Officer

## **Signatures**

/s/ Ryan W. Turner 05/17/2006

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\*\*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).

#### **Remarks:**

This is part 1 of 3. There are more than 30 transactions to report.

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