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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

McGregor Bryon T

(Last)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]

400 CAPITOL MALL, SUITE 2060

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

08/01/2011

(Month/Day/Year)

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

08/03/2011

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Owned

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following Reported

Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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

(A)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Moi	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	or (E (Iı	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy) (1)	\$ 0.86	08/01/2011		A	2	5,714		(2)	08/01/2021	Common Stock	25,714

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

McGregor Bryon T 400 CAPITOL MALL, SUITE 2060 SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

Signatures

/s/ Bryon T. 04/02/2012 McGregor

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) Disclosure of this grant was omitted from the reporting person's Form 4 for August 1, 2011 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on August 3, 2011.
- (2) The option vests 33% on each of April 1, 2012, 2013 and 2014.

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