

# FORM 4

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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 GREINKE FRANK P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2006					
5711 N. WEST AVENUE			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)								
FRESNO, CA 93711								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<b>Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned</b>					

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.4356	495,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.4558	490,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.4755	485,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.4756	480,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.4905	475,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5008	470,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5096	465,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5419	460,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5586	455,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5629	450,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		10,000	D	\$ 28.5669	440,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5768	435,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		2,500	D	\$ 28.5845	432,500	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		2,500	D	\$ 28.5917	430,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.5996	425,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.6044	420,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.6143	415,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.6246	410,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.637	405,000	D	

Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		10,000	D	\$ 28.6409	395,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.6522	390,000	D	
Common Stock	06/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.6528	385,000	D	
Common Stock	06/20/2006		S		2,500	D	\$ 28.7105	382,500	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.7358	377,500	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		7,500	D	\$ 28.7476	370,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.7489	365,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.7752	360,000	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		2,500	D	\$ 28.8199	357,500	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		5,000	D	\$ 28.8629	352,500	D	
Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		10,000	D	\$ 29	342,500	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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GREINKE FRANK P 5711 N. WEST AVENUE FRESNO, CA 93711	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Frank P. Greinke	04/21/2006
<small>Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

## 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 2. There are more than 30 transactions to report.

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