

FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Sneed James R		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 03/27/2014	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 400 CAPITOL MALL, SUITE 2060	(Street) SACRAMENTO, CA 95814		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) VP of Ethanol Supply & Trading	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(City) (State) (Zip)	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			

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	11,667	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	06/24/2023	Common Stock	10,204	\$ 3.74	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sneed James R 400 CAPITOL MALL SUITE 2060 SACRAMENTO, CA 95814			VP of Ethanol Supply & Trading	

Signatures

/s/ James R. Sneed	04/01/2014
Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) The option vests 33%, 33% and 34% on April 1, 2014, 2015 and 2016, respectively.

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