UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

PACIFIC ETHANOL, INC.

(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.001 PER SHARE (Title of Class of Securities)

69423U107

(CUSIP Number)

October 4, 2012 (Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

⊠ Rule 13d-1(b)

 \Box Rule 13d-1(c)

 \Box Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act, but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1.	Names of Reporting Persons					
	Iroquois Capital Management L.L.C.					
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (<i>See</i> Instructions) (a) \Box (b) \Box					
3.	SEC Use Only					
4.	p or Place of Organization					
	Delaware					
		5.	Sole Voting Power			
Numb	er of		0			
Shar	es	6.	Shared Voting Power			
	Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person		12,500,000			
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Wit	'n	8.	Shared Dispositive Power			
			12,500,000			
9.	Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person					
12,500,000 (see item 4)						
10.	Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions)					
11.	Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row 9					
	8.6%					
12.	Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) OO					

1.	Names of Reporting Persons					
	Joshua Silverman					
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (<i>See</i> Instructions) (a) (b) (c)					
3.	SEC Use Only					
4.	4. Citizenship or Place of Organization					
	United States of America					
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	IN; HC					

1.	Names of Reporting Persons						
	Richard Abbe						
2.	Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (<i>See</i> Instructions) (a) (b) (c)						
3.	SEC Use Only						
4.	Citizenship or Place of Organization						
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	IN; HC						

Item 1.

(a) Name of Issuer:

Pacific Ethanol, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:400 Capitol Mall, Suite 2060, Sacramento, CA, 95814

Item 2.

- (a) Name of Person Filing:
- (b) Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence:
- (c) Citizenship:

This Schedule 13G is being filed on behalf of (i) Iroquois Capital Management L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("**Iroquois**"), (ii) Joshua Silverman, an individual who is a citizen of the United States of America ("**Mr. Silverman**") and (iii) Richard Abbe, an individual who is a citizen of the United States of America ("**Mr. Abbe**," together with Iroquois and Mr. Silverman, the "**Reporting Persons**").

The Reporting Persons have entered into a Joint Filing Agreement, a copy of which is filed with this Schedule 13G as <u>Exhibit 1</u>, pursuant to which the Reporting Persons have agreed to file this Schedule 13G jointly in accordance with the provisions of Rule 13d-1(k) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The principal business office of all of the Reporting Persons is 641 Lexington Avenue, 26th Floor, New York, New York 10022.

(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share

(e) CUSIP Number:

69423U107

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b), or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Not applicable.

- (a) D Broker or dealer registered under section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780);
- (b) \square Bank as defined in section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);

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- (c) \Box Insurance company as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d) Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e) \boxtimes An investment adviser in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) \Box An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) \Box A parent holding company or control person in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h) 🗆 A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i) □ A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j) \Box A non-U.S. institution in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) \Box Group, in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with § 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution:

Item 4. Ownership

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) and (b)

As of the date hereof, each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of 12,500,000 shares of Common Stock held by Iroquois Master Fund Ltd. ("**Iroquois Master Fund**"), which represent beneficial ownership of approximately 8.6% of the Common Stock, and all such shares of Common Stock represent beneficial ownership of approximately 8.6% of the Common Stock, based on 144,660,897 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding. The Company's Prospectus Supplement (to Prospectus dated May 17, 2012, Registration No. 333-180731), filed on September 21, 2012 indicates there were 144,660,897 Shares outstanding as of the completion of the offering of the Shares to the Reporting Persons. The foregoing excludes 15,335,250 shares of Common Stock issuable upon exercise of a warrant issued to Iroquois Master Fund Ltd. (the "**Warrant**") because the Warrant contains a blocker provision under which the holder thereof does not have the right to exercise the Warrant to the extent (but only to the extent) that such exercise would result in beneficial ownership by the holder thereof or any of its affiliates, of more than 4.9% of the Common Stock. Without such blocker provision (and assuming the Warrant is currently exercisable), each of the Reporting Persons may be deemed to have beneficial ownership of 27,835,256 shares of Common Stock.

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- (c) Number of shares as to which each Reporting Person has:
 - (i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 0
 - (ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 12,500,000
 - (iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 0
 - (iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: 12,500,000.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following \Box .

 Item 6.
 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person

 Not applicable.
 Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group

See Exhibit 2.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: October 9, 2012

IROQUOIS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.L.C.

By: /s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman, Authorized Signatory

/s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman

/s/ Richard Abbe

Richard Abbe

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Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement as required by Rule 13d-1(k)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(k)(1)

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G shall be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint filing statements. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him, her or it contained herein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the other entities or persons, except to the extent that he, she or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

Date: October 9, 2012

IROQUOIS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.L.C.

By: /s/ Joshua Silverman

Joshua Silverman, Authorized Signatory

/s/ Joshua Silverman Joshua Silverman

/s/ Richard Abbe Richard Abbe