FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person – CASCADE INVESTMENT LLC			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 2365 CARILLON	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/28/2008						Director Officer (give title below)	X 10% Oo Other (s	wner specify below)				
(Street) KIRKLAND, WA 98033			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)			Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui					Acqui	ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
(Instr. 3) Date Exec			Deemed ation Date, if	3. Transaction Code		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
	(th/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Following Reported Transaction(s)	Direct (D) or Indirect	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(111511. 1)		
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		400	D	\$ 3.83	1,274,824	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		9,900	D	\$ 3.82	1,264,924	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		16,518		3.81	1,248,406	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		31,000	D	\$ 3.8	1,217,406	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		800	D	3.795	1,216,606	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		35,782	D	3.79	1,180,824	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		29,400	D	3.78	1,151,424	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		11,000	D	3.77	1,140,424	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		300	D	\$ 3.76	1,140,124	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		4,900	D	\$ 3.75	1,135,224	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		19,000	D	3.74	1,116,224	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		20,300	D	\$ 3.73	1,095,924	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		31,350	D	3.72	1,064,574	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		2,500	D	\$ 3.71	1,062,074	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		19,502	D	\$ 3.7	1,042,572	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		200	D	\$ 3.695	1,042,372	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		8,955	D	3.69	1,033,417	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		9,800	D	\$ 3.68	1,023,617	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		21,250	D	\$ 3.67	1,002,367	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		7,143	D	\$ 3.66	995,224	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		2,500	D	\$ 3.63	992,724	D			
Common Stock	05/28/2008			S		17,500	D	\$ 3.62	975,224	D			
Reminder: Report on lirectly or indirectly.	a separate line for e	ach cla	ss of securitie	es benefi	cially	y owned							
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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 8. Price of 9. Number of Derivative Derivative Security Securities (Instr. 5) Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) 10. 11. Nature
Ownership of Indirect
Form of Derivative Ownership
Security: (Instr. 4) 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 3A. Deemed
Execution Date, if any

4.
Transaction Code 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 3. Transaction 2. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security Date (Month/Day/Year Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) any Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Reporting Owners

P	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	-	Other	
CASCADE INVESTMENT LLC 2365 CARILLON POINT KIRKLAND, WA 98033		х			
GATES WILLIAM H III ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052	·	х			

Signatures

Cascade Investment, L.L.C. By: /s/ Michael Larson, Business Manager	05/30/2008
"Signature of Reporting Person	Date
William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*, Attorney-In-Fact	05/30/2008
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:

* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 3, 2006, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit 99.1 to Cascade Investment, L.L.C.'s Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13G with respect to Arch Capital Group Ltd. on March 7, 2006, SEC File No. 005-45257, and incorporated by reference herein.

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