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AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP Form 3 July 31, 2006 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Feeler Jeffrey R		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP [ECOL]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	07/28/2006	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
300 E. MAL	LARD DR	., SUITE					
300				(Check	all applicable)		
BOISE, II	(Street) DÂ 83706			.e	United Acct. Office	ow)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
Security	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	(Instr. 5)

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(Instr. 5)

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Common Stock Option	07/27/2007(1)	07/27/2016	Common Stock	20,000	\$ 21.74	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Feeler Jeffrey R 300 E. MALLARD DR., SUITE 300 BOISE, ID 83706	Â	Â	VP and Chief Acct. Officer	Â		
Signatures						

Jeffrey R. Feeler	07/31/2006
<u>**</u> 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) Exercisable in 1/3 increments on 07-27-2007, 07-27-2008 and 07-27-2009.

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