AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP

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FORM 4

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

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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 *

Hannon Michael G

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP

[ECOL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/27/2006

300 E. MALLARD DR., SUITE 300

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) VP OF CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BOISE, ID 83706

(Last)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

934 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)

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Common Stock Option	\$ 21.74	07/27/2006		A	20,000	07/27/2007(1)	07/27/2016	Common Stock	20,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Hannon Michael G 300 E. MALLARD DR., SUITE 300 BOISE, ID 83706

VP OF CORPORATE DEVELOPMENT

Relationships

Signatures

Reporting Person

Michael G.
Hannon

**Signature of 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).
- (1) Exercisable in 1/3 increments on 07-27-2007, 07-27-2008 and 07-27-2009.

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