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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

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Symbol

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]

1(b).

Common

Stock

04/19/2006

(Print or Type Responses)

GREINKE FRANK P

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

may continue.

See Instruction

]	Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]			(Check all applicable)			
	(Last) 5711 N. W	(First) EST AVENUE	(3. Date of Earliest 7 (Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2006	Fransaction		_	_X Director Officer (give ti elow)	10%	Owner r (specify
				4. If Amendment, Γ Filed(Month/Day/Ye	_	al	- -	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 - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if Transaction Code	4. Securit coor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common Stock	04/19/2006		S	5,000	D	\$ 30.2112	995,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
	Common Stock	04/19/2006		S	10,000	D	\$ 30.4767	985,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust

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Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 30.5396	965,000	Ĭ	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	15,000	D	\$ 30.9173	950,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 31.0367	940,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	25,000	D	\$ 31.2939	915,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	25,000	D	\$ 31.3991	890,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 31.4083	885,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	6,500	D	\$ 31.419	878,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 31.4303	868,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	7,200	D	\$ 31.5139	861,300	I	by Greinke Personal

								Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	17,800	D	\$ 31.5795	843,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 31.7104	838,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 31.7715	833,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 31.9113	823,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	25,000	D	\$ 31.925	798,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	20,000	D	\$ 31.9367	778,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 32.2154	768,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	15,000	D	\$ 32.218	753,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 32.2509	748,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living

								Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	15,000	D	\$ 32.2634	733,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 32.2986	728,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	25,000	D	\$ 32.3227	703,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 32.3298	693,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	15,000	D	\$ 32.4542	678,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 32.4826	673,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 32.4853	663,500	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	3,500	D	\$ 32.5139	660,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust
Common Stock	04/19/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 32.5392	650,000	I	by Greinke Personal Living Trust

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerci	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	te	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	J
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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					of (D)						(
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GREINKE FRANK P	***			
5711 N. WEST AVENUE	X			
FRESNO,, CA 93711				

Signatures

/s/ Frank P.
Greinke

**Signature of Reporting Person

O4/20/2006

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:

This is Part 1 of 2. There are more than 30 transactions to report.

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