GATES WILLIAM H III

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CASCADE INVESTMENT LLC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2365 CARILLON POINT

(Street)

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Symbol

(Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

KIRKLAND, WA 98033

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S	2,760	D	\$ 3.46	2,049,764	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S	8,825	D	\$ 3.45	2,040,939	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S	5,415	D	\$ 3.44	2,035,524	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 3.41	2,033,524	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2008		S	400	D	\$ 3.405	2,033,124	D	
	05/02/2008		S	5,084	D	\$ 3.4	2,028,040	D	

Common Stock						
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	2,066	D	\$ 3.39 2,025,974	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	5,075	D	\$ 3.37 2,020,899	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	7,125	D	\$ 3.36 2,013,774	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	1,300	D	\$ 3.35 2,012,474	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	5,200	D	\$ 3.34 2,007,274	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	2,500	D	\$ 3.33 2,004,774	D
Common Stock	05/02/2008	S	2,250	D	\$ 3.32 2,002,524	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)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Under	unt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners 2

CASCADE INVESTMENT LLC

2365 CARILLON POINT X

KIRKLAND, WA 98033

GATES WILLIAM H III

ONE MICROSOFT WAY X

REDMOND, WA 98052

Signatures

Cascade Investment, L.L.C. By: /s/ Michael Larson, Business
Manager

05/06/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*, Attorney-In-Fact

05/06/2008 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 ar Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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