Pacific Ethanol, Inc. Form 4 June 03, 2008

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

OMB Number:

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7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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may continue.

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

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

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/30/2008

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_ 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

2365 CARILLON POINT

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) omr 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 Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(11151111)	
Common Stock	05/30/2008		S	2,500	D	\$ 3.64	2,272,724	D	
Common Stock	05/30/2008		S	600	D	\$ 3.635	2,272,124	D	
Common Stock	05/30/2008		S	18,200	D	\$ 3.63	2,253,924	D	
Common Stock	05/30/2008		S	58,481	D	\$ 3.62	2,195,443	D	
Common Stock	05/30/2008		S	3,523	D	\$ 3.615	2,191,920	D	
	05/30/2008		S	110,220	D	\$ 3.61	2,081,700	D	

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Common Stock							
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	2,800	D	\$ 3.605	2,078,900	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	56,700	D	\$ 3.6	2,022,200	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	900	D	\$ 3.595	2,021,300	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	11,200	D	\$ 3.59	2,010,100	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	1,400	D	\$ 3.585	2,008,700	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	20,675	D	\$ 3.58	1,988,025	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 3.575	1,986,525	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	23,254	D	\$ 3.57	1,963,271	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	600	D	\$ 3.565	1,962,671	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	100	D	\$ 3.5625	1,962,571	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	15,254	D	\$ 3.56	1,947,317	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	22,967	D	\$ 3.55	1,924,350	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	800	D	\$ 3.545	1,923,550	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	39,530	D	\$ 3.54	1,884,020	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	300	D	\$ 3.535	1,883,720	D
Common Stock	05/30/2008	S	8,496	D	\$ 3.53	1,875,224	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$ 

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1. Titl Deriv Secur (Instr.	ative ity	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8	5. tiorNumber of ) Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	s I	ate	Amou Under Secur	le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					Code \	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

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

# **Signatures**

Cascade Investment, L.L.C. By: /s/ Michael Larson, Business Manager	06/03/2008
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*, Attorney-In-Fact	06/03/2008
**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 an 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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