#### Pacific Ethanol, Inc. Form 3 April 03, 2008 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB APPROVAL OMB Number: 3235-0104

### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF 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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Lyles United, LLC		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacific Ethanol, Inc. [PEIX]					
(Last) (Fin	rst)	(Middle)	03/27/2008		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
1210 W. OLIVE	STREE	Т							
(Street)					(Check all applicable)		6. Individual or Joint/Group		
FRESNO, CAÂ	92728				Director Officer (give title below	X10% Other (specify below)	•	Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City) (Sta	ate)	(Zip)		Table I - N	on-Derivati	ive Securiti	es Be	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)				2. Amount of Beneficially ( (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
Common Stock				6,000		D	Â		
Reminder: Report on owned directly or ind	lirectly. Persons informa	s who resp tion conta	ch class of secu oond to the co ined in this fo ad unless the	ollection of orm are not	. 51	EC 1473 (7-02	)		
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### Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock	(1)(2)	(1)(2)	Common Stock	6,153,846 (1) (2)	\$ 6.5 ( <u>1</u> ) ( <u>2</u> )	D	Â
Warrant to purchase Common Stock	09/28/2008	03/27/2018	Common Stock	3,076,923	\$ 7	D	Â
Warrant to purchase Common Stock	03/27/2008	09/27/2009	Common Stock	100,000	\$8	D	Â

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
F8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Lyles United, LLC 1210 W. OLIVE STREET FRESNO, CA 92728	Â	ÂX	Â	Â		
Signatures						
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/s/ William M. Lyles, IV, Vice President	04/03/2008
<b>**</b> Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

On March 27, 2008, Lyles United, LLC ("Lyles") acquired 2,051,282 shares of the issuer's Series B Cumulative Convertible Preferred Stock (the "Series B Stock") at a price equal to \$19.50 per share. Each share of Series B Stock is convertible at Lyles' option into that number of shares of the issuer's Common Stock equal to: (i) \$19.50, divided by (ii) the conversion price in effect at the time of

- (1) conversion. The conversion price of the Series B Stock is currently fixed at \$6.50, but is subject to certain anti-dilution adjustments as set forth in the Certificate of Designations, Powers, Preferences and Rights of the Series B Stock (the "Certificate of Designations"). Using the current conversion price, Lyles' 2,051,282 shares of Series B Stock are convertible into 6,153,846 shares of the issuer's Common Stock. Lyles' right to convert the Series B Stock does not expire.
- (2) The Series B Stock shall, upon the occurence of certain events, automatically convert into Common Stock pursuant to the terms of the Certificate of Designations.

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