### ROMANO STEPHEN A

Form 4 March 12, 2009

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ROMANO STEPHEN A Issuer Symbol AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP (Check all applicable) [ECOL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 300 E. MALLARD, SUITE 300 03/10/2009 **CEO** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **BOISE, ID 83706** Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Common 03/10/2009 P 200 147,949 D 14.74 Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. DrNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pi Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Common Stock Option	\$ 21.74					07/27/2007	07/27/2016	Common Stock	35,000	
Common Stock Option	\$ 20.63					01/02/2010	01/02/2019	Common Stock	34,000	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
·r· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ROMANO STEPHEN A 300 E. MALLARD, SUITE 300 BOISE, ID 83706	X		СЕО			

## **Signatures**

Reporting Person

Stephen A. 03/12/2009 Romano \*\*Signature of Date

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