

GILBERG MICHAEL J  
 Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 GILBERG MICHAEL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP  
 [ECOL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP & Controller

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 300 E. MALLARD, SUITE 300  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/15/2005

BOISE, ID 83706

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) or Disposed of (D)			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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	Amount (A) or Price (D)			
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S			600 D \$ 14.81	50,000	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S			5,000 D \$ 14.8	50,000	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S			400 D \$ 14.79	50,000	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S			400 D \$ 14.78	50,000	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S			2,300 D \$ 14.77	50,000	D	

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Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 14.76	50,000	D
Common Stock	12/15/2005	12/15/2005	S	200	D	\$ 14.75	50,000	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Number of Shares
Common Stock Option	\$ 3					02/11/2003 02/11/2013	Common Stock	8,967
Common Stock Option	\$ 4.5					02/11/2003 02/11/2013	Common Stock	10,462
Common Stock Option	\$ 6.5					02/11/2003 02/11/2013	Common Stock	13,099

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GILBERG MICHAEL J 300 E. MALLARD, SUITE 300 BOISE, ID 83706			VP & Controller	

## Signatures

Michael J.  
Gilberg

12/16/2005

\_\_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).

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