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October 20, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT  
OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 19, 2004

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORPORATION

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE ----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	0-11688 ----- (Commission File Number)	95-3889638 ----- (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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Lakepointe Centre I, 300 E. Mallard, Suite 300 Boise, Idaho (Address of principal executive offices)	83706 ----- (Zip Code)
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(208) 331-8400  
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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On October 19, 2004, the Company issued a press release entitled "AMERICAN ECOLOGY POSTS \$2.6 MILLION OPERATING INCOME". The press release, dated October 19, 2004, is attached as Exhibit 99 and incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

The following exhibit is filed as part of this report:

Exhibit 99 Press Release, dated October 19, 2004, entitled "AMERICAN ECOLOGY POSTS \$2.6 MILLION OPERATING INCOME"

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SIGNATURES  
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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the

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undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: October 19, 2004

By: /S/ James R. Baumgardner  
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James R. Baumgardner  
Senior Vice President, Chief  
Financial Officer,  
Secretary and Treasurer

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