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Form 8-K  
December 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): December 16, 2004

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORPORATION

(EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

DELAWARE	0-11688	95-3889638
----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	----- (Commission File) Number	----- (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
Lakepointe Centre I, 300 E. Mallard, Suite 300 Boise, Idaho		83706
----- (Address of principal executive offices)		----- (Zip Code)

(208) 331-8400

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 1.01. ENTRY INTO A MATERIAL DEFINITIVE AGREEMENT

On December 16, 2004 American Ecology Corporation amended it's Credit Agreement with Wells Fargo Bank to provide for a maximum Letter of Credit Commitment amount of \$5,500,000.

A copy of the amendment is attached as exhibit 10.50g and incorporated by reference herein.

Exhibit Eighth Amendment to Credit Agreement between American Ecology  
10.50g Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank Dated December 16, 2004

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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 undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

Date: December 16, 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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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit -----	Description -----
Exhibit 10.50g	Eighth Amendment to Credit Agreement between American Ecology Corporation and Wells Fargo Bank Dated December 16, 2004

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