

AMERICAN ECOLOGY CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**ELIFF ROY C**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**07/22/2005**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**BOISE, ID 83706**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	07/22/2005	07/22/2005	S	1,000 (1) D	\$ 17.89	21,958	D
Common Stock	07/22/2005	07/22/2005	S	1,000 (1) D	\$ 17.9	21,958	D
Common Stock	07/22/2005	07/22/2005	S	500 D	\$ 17.92	21,958	D
Common Stock	07/22/2005	07/22/2005	S	500 D	\$ 17.99	21,958	D
Common Stock	07/25/2005	07/25/2005	S	642 D	\$ 18	21,958	D

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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)

Table with 8 columns: 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. Pr Deri Secu (Inst). Row 1: Common Stock Option, \$ 9.2, 05/20/2004, 05/20/2014, Common Stock, 10,000.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationship categories: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry: ELIFF ROY C, 300 E. MALLARD, SUITE 300, BOISE, ID 83706, with 'X' in the 10% Owner column.

Signatures

Roy C. Eliff 07/26/2005
\*\*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).
(1) Transaction represents exercise of common stock options issued under the 1992 Outside Director Stock Option Plan
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