

WELLING STEVEN D  
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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 \*  
**WELLING STEVEN D**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

300 E. MALLARD DR., SUITE 300

(Street)

BOISE, ID 83706

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**US ECOLOGY, INC. [ECOL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/21/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

SVP Sales and Mkt.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/21/2012		A		2,500	A	\$ 0 (1)
					11,889	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)**

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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. 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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Option	\$ 19.71	02/21/2012		A	12,400	03/21/2012 02/21/2022	Common Stock 12,400
Common Stock Option	\$ 21.74					07/27/2007 07/27/2016	Common Stock 13,000
Common Stock Option	\$ 23.48					12/06/2008 12/06/2017	Common Stock 4,000
Common Stock Option	\$ 20.63					01/02/2010 01/02/2019	Common Stock 20,000
Common Stock Option	\$ 15.36					04/08/2010 03/08/2020	Common Stock 12,500
Common Stock Option	\$ 16.18					04/10/2011 03/10/2021	Common Stock 12,300

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WELLING STEVEN D 300 E. MALLARD DR., SUITE 300 BOISE, ID 83706			SVP Sales and Mkt.	

## Signatures

/s/ Steven D. Welling 02/23/2012

\*\*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) Issued pursuant to 2006 Restricted Stock Plan, vesting monthly over 12 month period.

(2) Issued pursuant to 2008 Stock Option Incentive Plan, vesting monthly over 3 year period.

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