

Pacific Ethanol, Inc.  
Form DEFA14A  
May 03, 2013

**SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION**

**PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 14(a) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Filed by the Registrant  x

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Preliminary Proxy Statement

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Definitive Proxy Statement

Definitive Additional Materials

Soliciting Material Pursuant to § 240.14a-12

**PACIFIC ETHANOL, INC.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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May 2, 2013

Dear Valued Stockholder,

Please see the attached recent press release and proxy. Our records indicate you have not yet voted. We need and sincerely request that you vote your shares. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Thanks in advance for your help!

Regards,

Bryon T. McGregor

Chief Financial Officer

Pacific Ethanol, Inc.

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