LIME ENERGY CO.

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **MISTARZ JEFFREY** Issuer Symbol LIME ENERGY CO. [LIME] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 1280 LANDMEIER ROAD 01/03/2011 below) Chief Financial Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ELK GROVEVILLAGE, IL 60007 Person

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securiti	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	saction(A) or Disposed of			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	de (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			C-J- V	A 4	or (D)	D	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
C			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common	01/03/2011		A	17,543	Α	(2)	44,865	D	
Stock	01/03/2011			(1)	4.	<u>.=-/</u>	11,003		

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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
Option to purchase Lime Energy Common Stock	\$ 4.04	01/03/2011		A	16,130	12/31/2011	12/31/2020	Lime Energy Common Stock	16,130
Option to purchase Lime Energy Common Stock	\$ 4.04	01/03/2011		A	16,129	12/31/2012	12/31/2020	Lime Energy Common Stock	16,129
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MISTARZ JEFFREY 1280 LANDMEIER ROAD ELK GROVEVILLAGE, IL 60007

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Jeffrey Mistarz 01/03/2011

**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) Ownership in shares vests ratably on December 31, 2011, December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2013.

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(2) Granted pursuant to the terms of the Company's 2008 Long-Term Incentive Plan.

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