LIME ENERGY CO.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ASPLUND DAVID R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LIME ENERGY CO. [LIME]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

1280 LANDMEIER RD 01/03/2011

below)

below)

Chief Executive Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL 60007

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

<u>(2)</u>

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common 01/03/2011 Stock

Code V Amount (D) 27,104 A (1)

345,468

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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	27,480	12/31/2011	12/31/2020	Lime Energy Common Stock	27,480
Option to purchase Lime Energy Common Stock	\$ 4.04	01/03/2011		A	27,480	12/31/2012	12/31/2020	Lime Energy Common Stock	27,480
Option to purchase Lime Energy Common Stock	\$ 4.04	01/03/2011		A	27,479	12/31/2013	12/31/2020	Lime Energy Common Stock	27,479

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting 6 wher runner radices	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ASPLUND DAVID R 1280 LANDMEIER RD ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL 60007	X		Chief Executive Officer			
Signatures						
Jeffrey Mistarz, by power of attorney	01/	03/2011				

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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