

Pauldine Thomas F  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Pauldine Thomas F

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
Green Plains Renewable Energy, Inc.  
[GPRE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
450 REGENCY PARKWAY,  
SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/21/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_X\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP Human Resources

(Street)  
OMAHA, NE 68114

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |          |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
|                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                       | Amount                                                                                                             | (A)<br>or<br>(D)                                                     | Price                                                             |          |
| Common                                | 12/21/2011                              |                                                             | M                                       |                                                                         | 12,500                                                                                                             | A                                                                    | \$ 5.99                                                           | 34,169 D |
| Common                                | 12/21/2011                              |                                                             | S                                       |                                                                         | 12,500                                                                                                             | D                                                                    | \$ 9.8                                                            | 21,669 D |
| Common                                | 12/22/2011                              |                                                             | S                                       |                                                                         | 4,126                                                                                                              | D                                                                    | \$ 9.93                                                           | 17,543 D |

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| NQ -<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy)        | \$ 5.99                                                            | 12/21/2011                              |                                                             | M                                    | 12,500                                                                                                       | 10/15/2011 10/15/2016                                          | Common                                                              | 12,500                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                         | Relationships                                           |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Pauldine Thomas F<br>450 REGENCY PARKWAY, SUITE 400<br>OMAHA, NE 68114 | Director 10% Owner Officer Other<br>EVP Human Resources |

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas F.  
Pauldine 12/23/2011

Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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