

RENEWABLE ENERGY GROUP, INC.

Reported by
HOWARD RANDOLPH L.

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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SIC Code	2860 - Industrial Organic Chemicals
Industry	Renewable Fuels
Sector	Energy
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Howard Randolph L. (Last) (First) (Middle) 416 S. BELL AVENUE (Street) AMES, IA 50010 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Renewable Energy Group, Inc. [REGI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) Interim President and CEO
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 8/15/2017		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Performance Rights	(1)	8/15/2017		A		50000		(1)	8/15/2022	Common Stock	50000.0	\$0	50000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of REGI common stock, subject to certain conditions described in the Reporting Person's employment agreement. Half of the Performance Based RSUs will vest based on attainment of the applicable adjusted EBITDA target for 2017 and the other half will vest based on the same measure for 2018.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Howard Randolph L. 416 S. BELL AVENUE AMES, IA 50010	X		Interim President and CEO	

Signatures

/s/ **Natalie Merrill, Attorney-in-Fact**

8/17/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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