

BION ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES INC

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SMITH MARK A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BION ENVIRONMENTAL TECHNOLOGIES INC [BNET]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
BOX 566  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/12/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President

CRESTONE, CO 81131

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction 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		
Common Stock	01/12/2009	01/12/2009	C <sup>(1)</sup>		88,102	A	
					\$ 0.75		
Common Stock	01/12/2009	01/12/2009	A <sup>(2)</sup>		200,000	A	
					\$ 0.75		
Common Stock					70,456	I	By Wife

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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 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. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Warrants	\$ 0.75	01/12/2009		A <sup>(3)</sup>		300,000		01/12/2009	12/31/2018	Common Stock
Deferred Compensation Obligation	\$ 0.75	01/12/2009		A <sup>(4)</sup>		\$ 66,076		01/12/2009	12/31/2009	Common Stock
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH MARK A BOX 566 CRESTONE, CO 81131	X		President	

## Signatures

/s Mark A.  
Smith

01/15/2009

\*\*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) Represents conversion of deferred compensation due on 12/31/08 of \$66,076 into 88,102 shares of common stock at \$.75 per share.
- (2) Represents acceptance of "pre-payment" of 2009 base compensation of \$150,000 for 200,000 shares at \$.75 per share.
- (3) Represents warrant to purchase 300,000 shares of common stock at \$.75 per share until 12/31/08 issued as \$30,000 of a \$37,500 bonus.
- (4) Represents option to convert the deferred compensation due on December 31, 2008 of \$66,076 to 88,102 shares of restricted common stock at \$.75 per share.

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