LIME ENERGY CO. Form NT 10-K April 02, 2013

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

## FORM 12b-25

## NOTIFICATION OF LATE FILING

## Commission File Number 001-16265

(Check one): x Form 10-K o Form 20-F o Form 11-K o Form 10-Q o Form 10-D

o Form N-SAR o Form N-CSR

For Period Ended: December 31, 2012

o Transition Report on Form 10-K

o Transition Report on Form 20-F

o Transition Report on Form 11-K

o Transition Report on Form 10-Q

o Transition Report on Form N-SAR

For the Transition Period Ended:

Read Instructions (on back page) Before Preparing Form. Please Print or Type.

Nothing in this form shall be construed to imply that the Commission has verified any information contained herein.

If the notification relates to a portion of the filing checked above, identify the Item(s) to which the notification relates:

## PART I REGISTRANT INFORMATION

Lime Energy Co.

Full Name of Registrant

Former Name if Applicable

16810 Kenton Drive, Suite 240, Huntersville, NC 28078

Address of Principal Executive Office (Street and Number)

Huntersville, NC 28078

City, State and Zip Code

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#### PART II RULES 12b-25(b) AND (c)

If the subject report could not be filed without unreasonable effort or expense and the registrant seeks relief pursuant to Rule 12b-25(b), the following should be completed. (Check box if appropriate)

- (a) The reason described in reasonable detail in Part III of this form could not be eliminated without unreasonable effort or expense
- (b) The subject annual report, semi-annual report, transition report on Form 10-K, Form 20-F, Form 11-K, Form N-SAR or

  Form N-CSR, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifteenth calendar day following the prescribed due date; or the subject quarterly report or transition report on Form 10-Q or subject distribution report on Form 10-D, or portion thereof, will be filed on or before the fifth calendar day following the prescribed due date; and
  - (c) The accountant s statement or other exhibit required by Rule 12b-25(c) has been attached if applicable.

#### PART III NARRATIVE

State below in reasonable detail why Forms 10-K, 20-F, 11-K, 10-Q, 10-D, N-SAR, N-CSR, or the transition report or portion thereof, could not be filed within the prescribed time period.

We determined that we were unable to file our Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012 by the April 1, 2013 due date or by the April 16, 2013 extension date.

We are not able to file a timely Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, because we have not completed required financial statements for previous reporting periods. In July 2012, we determined that our consolidated financial statements contained in our annual reports on Form 10-K for the periods ended December 31, 2010 and December 31, 2011 and quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the period ended March 31, 2012 may no longer be relied upon. More information regarding such non-reliance can be found in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on July 17, 2012. Further, in December 2012, we determined that our consolidated financial statements contained in our annual reports on Form 10-K for the periods ended December 31, 2008 and December 31, 2009 may no longer be relied upon. More information regarding such non-reliance can be found in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on December 28, 2012.

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#### PART IV OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Name and telephone number of person to contact in regar	d to this notification	
Jeffrey Mistarz	704	892-4442
(Name)	(Area Code)	(Telephone Number)

(2) Have all other periodic reports required under Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 during the preceding 12 months or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such report(s) been filed? If answer is no, identify report(s).

o Yes x No

Registrant s Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the periods ended June 30, 2012 and September 30, 2012 have not been filed.

(3) Is it anticipated that any significant change in results of operations from the corresponding period for the last fiscal year will be reflected by the earnings statements to be included in the subject report or portion thereof?

o Yes x No

If so, attach an explanation of the anticipated change, both narratively and quantitatively, and, if appropriate, state the reasons why a reasonable estimate of the results cannot be made.

#### Lime Energy Co.

(Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

has caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date April 2, 2013

By /s/ JeffreyMistarz Jeffrey Mistarz Chief Financial Officer

INSTRUCTION: The form may be signed by an executive officer of the registrant or by any other duly authorized representative. The name and title of the person signing the form shall be typed or printed beneath the signature. If the statement is signed on behalf of the registrant by an authorized representative (other than an executive officer), evidence of the representative s authority to sign on behalf of the registrant shall be filed with the form.

## ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal Criminal Violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001).