Instruction 1(b)

FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Lamb Peter						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  EXELIXIS INC [ EXEL ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify batter))				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 210 E. GRAND AVE.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2011							below) below)  EVP, Discovery Research & CSO					
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
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D.			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
			Table II - D (e					uired, Disp , options,				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Da if any (Month/Day/Y	Coc	r, Transaction		- 1	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Cod	le V	(A)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$5.5	09/28/2011		A		75,000		09/28/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/27/2018	Common Stock	75,000	\$0.00	75,000	0	D		
Restricted Stock	(2)	09/28/2011		A		8,333		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	8,333	\$0.00	8,333	3	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty five percent (25%) of the shares vest one year from the grant date, and the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments
- 2. Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- 3. Restricted Stock Units granted pursuant to Issuer's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. 1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the Restricted Stock Units will vest on November 15, 2012 and thereafter as to 1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the Restricted Stock Units on each succeeding November 15th thereafter until fully-vested. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the vesting date, provided that delivery may be delayed pursuant to the terms of the award agreement.

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney 09/30/2011 in Fact

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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