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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

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| | | | or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 | | | | | | |
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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [EXEL] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| MCCORMIC | <u>JK FRAN</u> | <u>K</u> | | X | Director | 10% Owner | | | |
| (Last) C/O EXELIXIS | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2009 | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | |
| 249 EAST GRA | ND AVE., P | O BOX 511 | | | | | | | |
| (Street) SOUTH SAN | CA | 94083-0511 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| FRANCISCO (City) | (State) | (Zip) | _ | | Person | an One Reporting | | | |
| | | Table I - Non-Der | ivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Bene | eficially | Owned | | | | |

| I. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
|---------------------------------|--|---|--------------|---|---|---------------|-------|--|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |

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

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| 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. Transa Code (8) | | of | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 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: 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 | | | | |
| Option (right to buy) | \$4.16 | 05/14/2009 | | A | | 11,250 | | 05/14/2009 ⁽¹⁾ | 05/13/2019 | Common Stock | 11,250 | \$0 | 11,250 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. The option is exercisable immediately, subject to repurchase provisions, and will vest monthly over the following year. **Remarks:**

> /s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact

05/14/2009

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

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

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