FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* JAMES STEVEN P		2. Date of Eve Requiring Stat (Month/Day/Ye	ement 1	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	. 06/13/2003		Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issuer	(Mon	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
(Street)	(State)	(Zip)			X Officer (give title below) Sr VP Commercial	Other (spec below) al Ops		udividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check licable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)			
Option (rig	ght to buy)(1)		06/15/2003 ⁽¹⁾	06/14/2013 ⁽¹⁾	Common stock	175,000	8.801(1)	D ⁽¹⁾		

Explanation of Responses:

1. 25% of the shares subject to the option vest one yr from date of hire (6/13/04) and 1/48th of the shares vest monthly, thereafter. New hire grant previously reported on Form 4 6/17/03, within mandated two day period.

<u>Steven P. James</u> <u>06/23/2003</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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