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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Lamb Peter</u>							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 Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS, INC 210 E. GRAND AVE.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2011										X Officer (give title Street (give title below) EVP, Discovery Research & CSO						
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94080					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																			
1 Title of 9	Security (Ins		le I - Nor	1-Deriv			curit ^{2A. De}		·	red, C 3.	Disp		-			y Owner		6. Ow	nership 7	7. Nature		
					Date (Month/Day/Year)			Execution Date,			tion istr.	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				Securiti Benefic Owned	es ially Following	Form: (D) or	orm: Direct) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									[Code	v	Amount	(A (D	or	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		1	Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 11/						1				M ⁽¹⁾		2,34	4	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	23,061		D				
Common Stock 11/						1				M ⁽²⁾		781		A	\$0	23,842		D				
Common Stock																6,391			I	By 401(k) Plan ⁽³⁾		
		Т	able II -	Derivat (e.g., p												Owned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (1 8)		n of I			5. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer	e rcisable		opiration	Title	or Nu of	ımber							
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	11/15/2011			М			2,344		(5)		(5)	Commo Stock	n 2	,344	(4)	21,094	1	D			
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	11/15/2011			M			781		(6)		(6)	Commo	n z	781	(4)	7,032		D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents the conversion upon vesting of restricted stock units into common stock. Such restricted stock units were granted on December 9, 2009 and were previously reported in Table II on a Form 4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 11, 2009.
- 2. Represents the conversion upon vesting of restricted stock units into common stock. Such restricted stock units were granted on December 15, 2009 and were previously reported in Table II on a Form 4 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 16, 2009.
- 3. Represents 6.391 shares of Exelixis, Inc. common stock under the Exelixis, Inc. 401(k) Plan, pursuant to a plan statement dated as of November 15, 2011.
- ${\bf 4.} \ Each \ restricted \ stock \ unit \ is \ the \ economic \ equivalent \ of \ one \ share \ of \ Exelixis, \ Inc. \ common \ stock.$
- 5. On December 9, 2009, the reporting person was granted 37,500 restricted stock units, of which 1/16th of the shares subject to the restricted stock units vested on November 15, 2011. The common stock into which such vested restricted stock units converted on November 15, 2011 is reported in Table I on this Form 4. The remaining unvested restricted stock units will continue to vest as to 1/16th of the original number of shares subject to the restricted stock units on each succeeding February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 until fully vested.
- 6. On December 15, 2009, the reporting person was granted 12,500 restricted stock units, of which 1/16th of the shares subject to the restricted stock units vested on November 15, 2011. The common stock into which such vested restricted stock units converted on November 15, 2011 is reported in Table I on this Form 4. The remaining unvested restricted stock units will continue to vest as to 1/16th of the original number of shares subject to the restricted stock units on each succeeding February 15, May 15, August 15 and November 15 until fully vested.

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney 11/17/2011 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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