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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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L. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] SCANGOS GEORGE A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>EXELIXIS INC</u> [EXEL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS INC. 249 EAST GRAND AVE., PO BOX 511	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2009	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President & CEO					
Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94083-0511	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 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) (State) (Zip)							
Table I - Non-Deri	vative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic	cially Owned					

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially 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)		5. Number Derivativ Securitie Acquired or Dispos of (D) (In 3, 4 and 5	e s I (A) sed str.	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		of Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.42	02/26/2009		A		100,000		02/26/2010 ⁽¹⁾	02/25/2019	Common Stock	100,000	\$0	100,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 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 thereafter.

Remarks:

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact 03/02/2009

** 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).

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