FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WILLSEY LANCE						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EXELIXIS INC [ EXEL ]										utionship of Reporting at all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)		10% C		Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O EXELIXIS, INC 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/27/2010													Other (specify below)	
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO CA 94083-0511  (City) (State) (Zip)				11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										. Indiv ine) X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tabl	e I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative :	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	efici	ally (	Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						E) if	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)							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	•	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/27/							2010		P		2,300		A	\$3.25		189,800			D	
Common Stock 08/27/2						/2010			P		26,400		A	\$3.26		216,200			D	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	ive Conversion Date Execution or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			Date, Transaction					6. Date E Expiratio (Month/I	n Date	Amount of		str. 3		vative ırity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	(         (	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code V		(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Nun of	ount nber res						

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact 08/31/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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