EXELIXIS, INC. Form 4

September 18, 2015

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

EXELIXIS, INC. [EXEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hessekiel Jeffrey

> (First) (Last)

(Middle)

C/O EXELIXIS, INC., 210 E. GRAND AVE.

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/16/2015

Symbol

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

X_ Officer (give title below)

EVP and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ·) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
|-----------------------|---|------------|---|--------|---------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amous Numb Shares |
| Option (right to buy) | \$ 6.21 | 09/16/2015 | | A | 190,000 | | 09/16/2016(1) | 09/15/2022 | Common Stock | 190,0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| . 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Hessekiel Jeffrey C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 210 E. GRAND AVE. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080 | | | EVP and General Counsel | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey J.
Hessekiel

**Signature of Reporting Person

O9/18/2015

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

Option granted pursuant to the Exelixis, Inc. 2014 Equity Incentive Plan. Option granted will vest as to 1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the option on the one-year anniversary of the grant date, and thereafter as to 1/48th of the original number of shares subject to the option on each monthly anniversary of the grant date.

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