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FORM 4

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

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Garber Alan M

> (First) (Middle) (Last)

C/O EXELIXIS, INC., 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511

(Street)

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94083-0511 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

05/19/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if anv

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A) or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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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 Security

or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

5. Number of 4. **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title Amount Date or Number of Share Option Common (right to \$ 5.92 05/19/2010 A 15,000 05/19/2010(1) 05/18/2020 15,000 Stock buy)

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director Owner Officer Other

Garber Alan M C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94083-0511

Signatures

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact 05/20/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Non-Employee Directors' Stock Option Plan. The option is exercisable immediately, subject to repurchase provisions, and will vest monthly over the following year.

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