Lamb Peter Form 4 September 21, 2012

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

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

SOUTH SAN

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

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obligations

may continue.

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lamb Peter

(Middle)

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

FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(First)

(Street)

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

EXELIXIS, INC. [EXEL]

(Month/Day/Year) 09/21/2012

Symbol

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or Code V Amount (D) Price Applicable Line)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

Issuer

below)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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10% Owner

Other (specify

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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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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Code

Securities

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year	(Instr	8)	Acquired (ADisposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou: Numbe Shares
Stock Option (right to	\$ 5.555	09/21/2012	A		123,000		09/21/2013(1)	09/20/2019	Common Stock	123,0

Reporting Owners

or Exercise

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

any

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lamb Peter C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 210 E. GRAND AVE. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

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Signatures

Security

buy)

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact

09/21/2012

**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).

Option granted pursuant to Issuer's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. Option granted will vest as to 1/4th of the original number of shares (1) 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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