KARBE FRANK Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KARBE FRANK

(First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

EXELIXIS, INC. [EXEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

09/21/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) EVP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (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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Code

Securities

(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) of Disposed of (I (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	O)		Ì	
			Code V	' (A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Number 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

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

EVP and CFO

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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