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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MORRISSEY MICHAEL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

EXELIXIS, INC. [EXEL]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

President and CEO

C/O EXELIXIS, INC., 210 E.

(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2016

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

GRAND AVE.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (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) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A) or

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 (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.7	03/07/2016		A	281,250	03/07/2016(1)	09/18/2021	Common Stock	281,2
Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.9	03/07/2016		A	112,500	03/07/2016(3)	02/04/2022	Common Stock	112,5

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

X

President and CEO

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey J. Hessekiel, Attorney in Fact

03/08/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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stock pursuant to the Exelixis, Inc. 2014 Equity Incentive Plan. Vesting of the option is tied to performance goals set by the

- On September 19, 2014, the Reporting Person was granted a performance-based stock option to purchase 1,125,000 shares of common
- Compensation Committee (the "Committee") as follows: (i) 50% of the option will vest if the Committee determines that top-line efficacy data received from the METEOR phase 3 pivotal trial of cabozantinib in metastatic renal cell carcinoma ("mRCC") met its primary endpoint at a specified level, with such result to occur no later than a specified date; (ii) 25% of the option will vest if the Committee confirms that a new drug application ("NDA") for cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC is accepted for review by the United States Food and Drug Administration ("FDA") by a specified date; and (iii) 25% of the option will vest if the Committee confirms that the FDA has approved cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC by a specified date.
- On March 7, 2016, the Committee convened to determine that the NDA for cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC was accepted for review by the FDA within the time period permitted by the performance goals, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 281,250 shares.
 - On February 5, 2015, the Reporting Person was granted a performance-based stock option to purchase 450,000 shares of common stock pursuant to the Exelixis, Inc. 2014 Equity Incentive Plan. Vesting of the option is tied to performance goals set by the Committee as follows: (i) 50% of the option will vest if the Committee determines that top-line efficacy data received from the METEOR phase 3
- (3) pivotal trial of cabozantinib in mRCC met its primary endpoint at a specified level, with such result to occur no later than a specified date; (ii) 25% of the option will vest if the Committee confirms that an NDA for cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC is accepted for review by the FDA by a specified date; and (iii) 25% of the option will vest if the Committee confirms that the FDA has approved cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC by a specified date.

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On March 7, 2016, the Committee convened to determine that the NDA for cabozantinib for the treatment of mRCC was accepted for review by the FDA within the time period permitted by the performance goals, resulting in the vesting of the option as to 112,500 shares.

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