

AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Bintz William J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC
[ACLS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/15/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

EVP, Product Development

108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BEVERLY, MA 01915

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	02/15/2017		D	2,727 D \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	44,476	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2017		F	1,309 D \$ 0 ⁽²⁾	43,167 ⁽³⁾	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M	18,000 A \$ 4.64	61,167	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		S	18,000 D \$ 16	43,167	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2017		M	2,250 A \$ 6.4	45,417	D	

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) These shares were issuable on restricted stock units which forfeited on February 15, 2017 as a result of the non-achievement of 2016 performance goals.
- (2) These shares were withheld by the Company to cover the tax withholding obligations of the executive on the vesting of restricted stock units on February 15, 2017.

On February 15, 2017, restricted stock units with performance vesting terms granted in May 2016 were determined to have vested as to 60% of the units. The remaining units forfeited. The shares issued to the executive on the vested units were reduced by shares having a value equal to the executive's tax withholding obligation. After these events, of the shares held by the executive as of February 15, 2017, 20,455 were issuable on vesting of other restricted stock units which remain subject to forfeiture.

- (3) Of the shares held as of February 15, 2017, 20,455 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units which remain subject to forfeiture.
- (4) Of the shares held as of February 16, 2017, 20,455 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.

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