LATTS JEFFREY Form 4

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See Instruction

1(b).

obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LATTS JEFFREY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

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

below) Sr VP, Chief Medical Officer

C/O EXELIXIS, INC, 170 HARBOR 12/13/2004 WAY, PO BOX 511

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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, X1 94083-0511

(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

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

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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 Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)	(D)	(Month/Day/Year	Ionth/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amous Numb Shares	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.92	12/13/2004		A	100,000		12/13/2005(1)	12/12/2014	Common Stock	100,0	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LATTS JEFFREY			Sr VP,			
C/O EXELIXIS, INC			Chief			
170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511			Medical			
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, X1 94083-0511			Officer			

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey R.
Latts

12/15/2004

**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).
- (1) Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty five percent (25%) of the shares vest on 12/13/2005, and the remaining shares shall vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (2) The reporting person holds an additional 380,000 options to acquire 380,000 shares of common stock of the Issuer, which options are not included in column 9 because they have different exercise prices.

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