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

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Murry Stefan J.

(Last)

Symbol

(Check all applicable)

APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS,

INC. [AAOI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2017

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chief Financial Officer

C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC., 13139

(First)

(Middle)

JESS PIRTLE BLVD.

(Street) 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

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	02/13/2017		M	3,333	A	\$ 7.5	37,746	D	
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	02/13/2017		F <u>(1)</u>	1,052	D	\$ 32.66	36,694	D	

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.5	02/13/2017		М	3,333	<u>(2)</u>	01/18/2023	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	3,333

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Murry Stefan J.

C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.

13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ David C. Kuo, attorney in fact for Stefan J. Murry

02/15/2017

**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).
 - Represents a "net exercise" of outstanding stock options. The reporting person received 2,281 shares of common stock on net exercise of option to purchase 3,333 shares of common stock. The Company withheld 1,052 shares of common stock underlying the option for payment of the exercise price and tax withholdings, using the closing stock price on February 10, 2017 of \$32.66, pursuant to the terms of the 2006 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (2) Option fully vested.

Reporting Owners 2

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