

Bintz William J
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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)
108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/15/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Prod. Dev., Eng. & Mktg

BEVERLY, MA 01915

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Common Stock | 03/15/2012 | | A | 116,363 (1) | A \$ 0 157,677 (2) | 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)

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| 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bintz William J 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE BEVERLY, MA 01915 | | | EVP, Prod. Dev., Eng. & Mktg | |

Signatures

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney in fact for William J. Bintz 03/16/2012

__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).
- These shares are issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the Company's 2000 Stock Plan. 100% of these restricted
- (1) stock units will vest on either March 15, 2013 or March 15, 2014 or will forfeit on March 15, 2013, based on the Company's achievement of performance goals under the 2012 Axcelis Management Incentive Plan.
 - (2) Of the shares held as of March 15, 2012, 116,363 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted the executive under the 2000 Stock Plan and are subject to forfeiture.

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