Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  VAN MAAREN JAN PAUL						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ ACLS ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2004							VP and GM, CCS					
			01915 (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2004						Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction  3.  4. Securities Acquired (A) or  5. Amount of  6. Ownership  7. Nature of																	
Date					Year)	Execution Date f any Month/Day/Yea		Transaction	Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,			Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Direct Indirect Br. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
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		,	Table II - Do (e					uired, Disp s, options,			-	Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Datif any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	action (Instr.	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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly [	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock option (right to buy)	\$7.97	12/27/2004		A <sup>(1)</sup>		12,500		06/25/2008 <sup>(2)</sup>	06/25/2014	Common Stock	12,500	\$0.00	12,500	)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Granted Pursuant to the Axcelis Technologies, Inc. 2000 Stock Plan.
- 2. Excercisable as to 25% of the total shares on each of 6/25/2005, 6/25/2006, 6/25/2007 and 6/25/2008.

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney-12/27/2004 in-fact for Jan Paul van Maaren

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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