

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>KEITHLEY JOSEPH P</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.</u> <u>108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE</u> (Street) <u>BEVERLY MA 01915</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ACLS]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/31/2017</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/31/2017		M		10,000	A	\$6.16	35,439 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2017		S		10,000	D	\$21.66 ⁽²⁾	25,439 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2017		M		10,000	A	\$3.72	35,439 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2017		S		10,000	D	\$21.61 ⁽³⁾	25,439 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$6.16	05/31/2017		M			10,000	02/12/2012	08/03/2021	Common Stock	10,000	\$0.00	0	D	
Stock option (right to buy)	\$3.72	05/31/2017		M			10,000	01/13/2013	07/16/2019	Common Stock	10,000	\$0.00	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Of the shares held as of May 31, 2017, 3,802 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.65 to \$21.70, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Axcelis Technologies, Inc., any security holder of Axcelis Technologies, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.60 to \$21.65, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Axcelis Technologies, Inc., any security holder of Axcelis Technologies, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price.

Remarks:

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney 05/31/2017
in fact for Joseph P. Keithley

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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