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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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| <b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b><br><u>Bintz William J</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>108 CHERRY HILL DRIVE</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>BEVERLY MA 01915</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | <b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b><br><u>AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ ACLS ]</u> | <b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b><br>(Check all applicable)<br><br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>EVP, Prod. Dev., Eng. &amp; Mktg</u> |
|   | <b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)</b><br><u>09/17/2013</u>                   |  |
|   | <b>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)</b>                                |  |
|   |  | <b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</b><br><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><br>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 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                    | 09/17/2013                           |  | s <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 3,136   | D          | \$2.25 | 78,085 <sup>(2)</sup>   | 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) |
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|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The sales reported on this Form are pursuant to a prior election by the executive officer to sell shares issued on the vesting of restricted stock units in order to generate funds to pay to the Company to cover the executive's tax liability arising from the vesting event and related commissions. The proceeds of this sale will be paid to the Company and the broker, accordingly.
- Of the shares held as of September 17, 2013, 9,449 were issuable on vesting of restricted stock units granted the executive under the 2012 Equity Incentive Plan and are subject to forfeiture.

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney 09/17/2013  
in fact for William Bintz

\*\* 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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