UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 7, 2019

Axcelis Technologies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **000-30941** (Commission File Number)

34-1818596 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

108 Cherry Hill Drive, Beverly, Massachusetts

(Address of principal executive offices)

01915 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (978) 787-4000

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2.):

o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	ACLS	NASDAQ Global Select Market

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On May 7, 2019, Axcelis Technologies, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release regarding its financial results for its quarter ended March 31, 2019. The Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit No.		Description	
99.1	Press Release dated May 7, 2019. Filed herewith.		
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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: May 7, 2019

Axcelis Technologies, Inc.

By:	/s/ KEVIN J. BREWER	
	Kevin J. Brewer	
	Executive Vice President	
	and Chief Financial Officer	



AXCELIS ANNOUNCES FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR FIRST QUARTER 2019 Gross Margins and Expense Management Drive Strong Earnings Performance

BEVERLY, Mass. — May 7, 2019—<u>Axcelis Technologies</u>, Inc. (Nasdaq: ACLS) today announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2019.

The Company reported first quarter revenue of \$91.5 million, compared to \$105.7 million for the fourth quarter of 2018. Operating profit for the quarter was \$7.1 million, compared to \$11.5 million for the fourth quarter. Net income for the quarter was \$6.1 million, or \$0.18 per diluted share, compared to net income for the fourth quarter of \$8.5 million, or \$0.25. Gross margin for the quarter was 41.0%, compared to 41.2% in the fourth quarter. Cash, cash equivalents and restricted cash were \$170.0 million on March 31, 2019, compared to \$184.9 million on December 31, 2018.

"I am very pleased with the Company's first quarter gross margins and expense management, which drove strong earnings performance. In this current downturn, we are focused on managing for profitability given that revenues for the full year could be down 15% compared to 2018. We will continue to invest in R&D for innovative Purion product line extensions," commented President and CEO Mary Puma. "These new segment-focused products provide our customers with significant value from technological advantages, and will drive strong growth for the Company when the market rebounds."

Business Outlook

For the second quarter ending June 30, 2019, Axcelis expects revenues to be approximately \$80 million. Gross margin in the second quarter is expected to be approximately 40%. Second quarter operating profit is forecasted to be approximately \$2 million. Earnings per diluted share is expected to be in the range of \$0.01-0.03.

First Quarter 2019 Conference Call

The Company will host a conference call to discuss the Company's results for the first quarter 2019 on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at 8:30 am ET. The call will be available to interested listeners via an audio webcast that can be accessed through the Investors page of Axcelis' website at www.axcelis.com, or by dialing 866.588.8911 (707.294.1561 outside North America). Participants calling into the conference call will be requested to provide the company name, Axcelis Technologies, and Conference ID: 2127776. Webcast replays will be available for 30 days following the call.



Safe Harbor Statement

This press release and the conference call contain forward-looking statements under the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act safe harbor provisions. These statements, which include our expectations for spending in our industry and guidance for future financial performance, are based on management's current expectations and should be viewed with caution. They are subject to various risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements, many of which are outside the control of the Company, including that customer decisions to place orders or our product shipments may not occur when we expect, that orders may not be converted to revenue in any particular quarter, or at all, whether demand will continue for the semiconductor equipment we produce or, if not, whether we can successfully meet changing market requirements, and whether we will be able to maintain continuity of business relationships with and purchases by major customers. Increased competitive pressure on sales and pricing, increases in material and other production costs that cannot be recouped in product pricing and instability caused by changing global economic, political or financial conditions could also cause actual results to differ materially from those in our forward-looking statements. These risks and other risk factors relating to Axcelis are described more fully in the most recent Form 10-K filed by Axcelis and in other documents filed from time to time with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

About Axcelis:

Axcelis (Nasdaq: ACLS), headquartered in Beverly, Mass., has been providing innovative, high-productivity solutions for the semiconductor industry for over 40 years. Axcelis is dedicated to developing enabling process applications through the design, manufacture and complete life cycle support of ion implantation systems, one of the most critical and enabling steps in the IC manufacturing process. Learn more about Axcelis at www.axcelis.com.

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Axcelis Technologies, Inc. **Consolidated Statements of Operations** (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

		Three months ended March 31,			
		2019		2018	
Revenue:					
Product	\$	84,197	\$	116,022	
Services		7,280		6,163	
Total revenue		91,477		122,185	
Cost of revenue:					
Product		47,338		68,374	
Services		6,633		6,655	
Total cost of revenue		53,971		75,029	
Gross profit		37,506		47,156	
Operating expenses:					
Research and development		13,685		12,233	
Sales and marketing		8,918		8,411	
General and administrative		7,807		8,010	
Total operating expenses		30,410		28,654	
Income from operations		7,096		18,502	
Other (expense) income:					
Interest income		841		410	
Interest expense		(1,230)		(1,337)	
Other, net		(173)		(102)	
Total other expense		(562)		(1,029)	
Income before income taxes		6,534		17,473	
Income tax provision		472		3,558	
Net income	\$	6,062	\$	13,915	
Net income per share:					
Basic	\$	0.19	\$	0.43	
Diluted	\$	0.18	\$	0.41	
Shares used in computing net income per share:	-		-		
Basic weighted average common shares		32,683		32,094	
Diluted weighted average common shares		34,224		34,123	

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Axcelis Technologies, Inc. **Consolidated Balance Sheets** (In thousands, except per share amounts) (Unaudited)

	March 31, 2019		December 31, 2018	
ASSETS			_	
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	163,104	\$	177,993
Short-term restricted cash		149		_
Accounts receivable, net		70,947		78,727
Inventories, net		134,051		129,000
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		12,161		11,051
Total current assets		380,412		396,771
Property, plant and equipment, net		19,638		41,149
Operating lease assets		7,453		_
Finance lease assets, net		22,895		_
Long-term restricted cash		6,715		6,909
Deferred income taxes		71,357		71,939
Other assets		34,985		31,673
Total assets	\$	543,455	\$	548,441
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	29,641	\$	35,955
Accrued compensation		6,153		19,218
Warranty		4,319		4,819
Income taxes		491		462
Deferred revenue		16,639		19,513
Other current liabilities		8,815		5,030
Total current liabilities		66,058		84,997
Finance lease obligation		48,549		47,757
Long-term deferred revenue		3,842		3,071
Other long-term liabilities		7,853		4,279
Total liabilities		126,302		140,104
Commitments and contingencies				,
Stockholders' equity:				
Common stock, \$0.001 par value, 75,000 shares authorized; 32,881 shares issued and outstanding at				
March 31, 2019; 32,558 shares issued and outstanding at December 31, 2018		33		33
Additional paid-in capital		568,335		565,116
Accumulated deficit		(151,198)		(157,260)
Accumulated other comprehensive income		(17)		448
Total stockholders' equity		417,153		408,337
Total liabilities and stockholders' equity	\$	543,455	\$	548,441