FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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	ress of Reporting / JOSEPH P	Ferson	. Date of Event lequiring Staten Month/Day/Year 8/03/2011	nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ACLS]							
(Last) C/O AXCELI	(First) S TECHNOLO	(Middle) GIES, INC.			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner		- 1	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
108 CHERRY	HILL DRIVE					Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(Street) BEVERLY	MA	01915								y More than One		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
						ially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Deriva	tive Security (Ins	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securitie Underlying Derivative Security		y (Instr. 4) Conve		rcise Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	9	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Mr. Keithley did not own any reportable securities, directly or indirectly, prior to becoming a reporting person. Power of Attorney filed as Exhibit 24.1 to this Form 3.

No securities are beneficially owned.

Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney 08/04/2011 in fact for Joseph P. Keithley

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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 5 (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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POWER OF ATTORNEY For Executing Reports under Section 16(a) with respect to securities of AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC.

The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Mary G. Puma, Lynnette C. Fallon, Matthew C. Dallett and Stanley Keller, each acting singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, from the date hereof until this Power of Attorney is revoked, to:

- (1) execute, for and on behalf of the undersigned, Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to securities of Axcelis Technologies, Inc. in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion; and
- (2) do and perform any and all acts, for and on behalf of the undersigned, that may be necessary or desirable to complete the execution of any such Form 3, 4 or 5 and the timely filing of such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully for all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or his or her substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed this 3rd day of August, 2011.

/s/Joseph P. Keithley______ Joseph P. Keithley