FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* NETTLES PATRICK H							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ACLS]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
INETIL	ES PAIR											X Dire		ctor		10% C	wner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC. 55 CHERRY HILL DRIVE							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/28/2003									Office below	cer (give title ow)		Other (specify below)			
55 CHER	RY HILL I	DRIVE			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable							
(Street) BEVERLY MA 01915																	Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State) (Zip)																Person						
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Ac	quired	, Dis	posed o	f, or	Bene	ficia	ally O	wne	d					
Date					2. Transaction Date Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transa Code (4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4				4 and 5) Secu Bene Own		cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
							Code	v	Amount	(A (I	A) or D)	Price	т	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)				
Common	Stock		08/28/	2003				P		500		Α	\$8.73		500		I)				
Common	08/28/	2003				P		100		Α	\$8.72			600)						
Common	08/28/	2003				P		1,100		A S	\$8.7291		1,700		I)						
Common	08/28/	2003				P		9,800		A	\$8.7		11,500		I)						
Common Stock																11,500		I)			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transact Code (In: 8)		tion of		6. Date E Expiration (Month/I	on Dat		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr.	vative ırity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dire or I (I) (nership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	code V		(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shai	ber								

Explanation of Responses:

<u>Lynnette C. Fallon, Attorney-in-Fact for Patrick Nettles</u>

08/29/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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