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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name an  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES INC [ ACLS ]  |  |  |                        |                |  |   |           |                                    | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |                    |  |                |                       |   |          |  |   |                              |  |
| <u>DUFF DAVID</u>   |  |  |  |                        |                | TITICELLIS TECHNOLOGIES HIC [ ACES ]                     |   |           |                                    |   |                    |  |                | 1                     |   | Direc    | ctor   |   | 10% Owner                    |  |
| -   |  |  |  |                        | _              |  |   |           |                                    |   |                    |  |                | $\dashv$              | X   | Office   | er (give title<br>v)   |   | Other (<br>below)            | specify  |
| (Last)  | (Fi  | rst) (                                     | Middle)  |                        |                | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)         |   |           |                                    |   |                    |  |                |                       |   |          | ice Preside  |   | , ,                          |  |
| C/O AXCELIS TECHNOLOGIES, INC.                                |  |  |  |                        |                | 06/30/2004   |   |           |                                    |   |                    |  |                |                       |   | v        | ice i reside   | ill/ GIVI I   | 11111                        |  |
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|   |  | Tabl                                       | e I - Non                                      | -Deriv                 | ative          | Se   | curitie   | s Acc     | quired,                            | Dis   | posed o            | f, o   | r Ben          | efici                 | ally (  | Owne     | ed   |   |                              |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |  |  |  |                        | Day/Year)   Ex |  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |           | Transaction Dispo                  |   | Disposed           | urities Acquired (A<br>sed Of (D) (Instr. 3,   |                |                       | 4 and S   |          | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported  |   | ship<br>rect<br>lirect<br>4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |
|   |  |  |  |                        |                |  |   |           | Code                               | v   | Amount             |  | (A) or<br>(D)  | Price                 | ,   | Transa   | action(s)<br>3 and 4)  |   |                              | (111511.4)   |
| Common Stock 06/30/   |  |  |  |                        | /2004          |  |   |           |                                    | v   | 1,500              | A \$4.   |                | \$4.9                 | 956   | 13,959.8 |  | D   |                              |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |                        |                |  |   |           |                                    |   |                    |  |                |                       |   |          |  |   |                              |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date, Transa<br>Code ( |                |  | of  |           | 6. Date E<br>Expiratio<br>(Month/D | n Dat   |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr<br>and 4) |                | I                     |   |          | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | t (D)<br>lirect              | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Purchased under the Axcelis Technologies, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan, qualified under I.R.C. Secion 423.

<u>Lynnette C. Fallon, as attorney-</u> <u>in-fact for David Duff</u> <u>07/02/2004</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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