RIVERA LUPE M Form 4

December 11, 2009

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

RIVERA LUPE M

(First) (Middle) (Last)

249 EAST GRAND AVE., P.O. BOX 511

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below) SVP, Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94083-0511

(State) (City) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDerivative

5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Ar Underlying Se

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.18	12/09/2009		A	42,445	12/09/2010(1)	12/08/2019	Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.18	12/09/2009		A	40,055	12/09/2010(1)	12/08/2019	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	12/09/2009		A	41,250	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsinps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RIVERA LUPE M						
249 EAST GRAND AVE.			SVP,			
P.O. BOX 511			Operations			
SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94083-0511						

Signatures

/s/ James B. Bucher, Attorney in Fact 12/11/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty five percent (25%) of the shares vest one year from the grant date, and the remaining shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of EXEL common stock.
- Restricted Stock Units granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. 1/4th of the original number of shares subject to the Restricted Stock Units will vest on February 15, 2011 and thereafter as to 1/16th of the original number of shares subject to the Restricted Stock Units on each succeeding May 15, August 15, November 15 and February 15. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person on the vesting date, provided that delivery may be delayed pursuant to the terms of the award agreement.

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