SIMONTON PAMELA A

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SIMONTON PAMELA A

(Middle)

C/O EXELIXIS, INC., 170

HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511

(Street)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

EXELIXIS INC [EXEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/13/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, X1 94083-0511

(City) (State) 1. Title of

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 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

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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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	4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.92	12/13/2004		A	70,000	12/13/2005(1)	12/12/2014	Common Stock	70,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SIMONTON PAMELA A C/O EXELIXIS, INC. 170 HARBOR WAY, PO BOX 511 SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, X1 94083-0511

SVP, Patents & Licensing

Signatures

/s/ Pamela A. Simonton 12/15/2004

**Signature of Reporting Date

Person

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).
- (1) Options granted pursuant to Issuer's 2000 Equity Incentive Plan. Twenty five percent (25%) of the shares vest on 12/13/2005, and the remaining shares shall vest in 36 equal monthly installments thereafter.
- (2) The reporting person holds an additional 232,500 options to acquire 232,500 shares of common stock of the Issuer, which options are not included in column 9 because they have different exercise prices.

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