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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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|   | Instruction 1(b).   |

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Anselm Klaus Alexander                         | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.</u> [<br>AAOI ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br>X Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below) |
|---|---|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.<br>13115 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/03/2014                                  | VP Semiconductor Products   |
| (Street)<br>SUGAR LAND TX 77478<br>(City) (State) (Zip)                                 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 4. Securities A<br>Disposed Of (<br>5) |               |               | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|---------------|---------------|---|---|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code                         | v | Amount                                 | (A) or<br>(D) | Price         | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)  |   |   |
| Common Stock, \$.001 par value  | 12/03/2014                                 |   | М                            |   | 2,000                                  | Α             | \$3           | 7,143   | D   |   |
| Common Stock, \$.001 par value  | 12/03/2014                                 |   | F                            |   | 1,054 <sup>(2)</sup>                   | D             | <b>\$9.97</b> | 6,089   | 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. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of  |       | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                    | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|--|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-------|--|--------------------|--|--|---|--|--|--|
|  |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A) | (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable  | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares | 4   |  |  |  |
| Non-<br>Qualified<br>Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy | <b>\$</b> 3   | 12/03/2014                                 |   | М                            |   |     | 2,000 | (1)  | 12/31/2014         | Common<br>Stock,<br>\$0.001<br>par value   | 2,000                                  | \$0   | 0  | D  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options fully vested.

2. Represents shares withheld to satisfy tax liability and the cost of exercising options.

/s/ David C. Kuo for Klaus Alexander Anselm

12/05/2014

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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 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).

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