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* Akins Martin P. | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Exela Technologies, Inc. [XELA] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | |
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| (Last) | , | irst) NOLOGIES, | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/27/2022 | | | | | | | | Officer below) | (give title | | Other (s below) | specify | |
| INC., 2701 E. GRAUWYLER RD. | | | | 4. 1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) IRVING | T | X | 75061 | | | | | | | | | | | Line | Form f | iled by Mor | | orting Perso One Repo | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transc Date (Month/D | | | | action Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (Instr. 5) | | | 5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported | es For ally (D) Following (I) | | : Direct Indirect str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (111501.4) | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share 06/27 | | | 7/202 | /2022 | | М | | 13,228 A | | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 90,212 | | | D | | | | | |
| | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | | | ansaction of Eode (Instr. Derivative (| | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | curity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e s illy | Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | xpiration ate | Title | or No | nount imber Shares | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | | | | | | | | (1) | | (1) | Comm | | 25,000 | | 125,00 | 00 | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 06/27/2022 | | | M | | | 13,228 | (3) | | (3) | Comm | | 3,228 | (2) | 0 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On December 31, 2021, following the Company's 2021 annual meeting of stockholders, the reporting person was granted 125,000 restricted stock units as non-employee director equity compensation pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Company's Director Compensation Policy and 2018 Stock Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vested on January 3, 2022, the first business day of 2022.
- 2. Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, following vesting, one share of Common Stock, which may be settled in shares of Common Stock or cash, as elected by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company.
- 3. On August 13, 2019, the reporting person was granted 119,047 restricted stock units (before taking into account the one-for-three Reverse Stock Split effected by the Company on January 25, 2021) as non-employee director equity compensation pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Company's Director Compensation Policy and 2018 Stock Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units vested in equal installments at each of the 2020, 2021 and 2022 annual meetings.

/s/ Martin Akins

06/29/2022

** 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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