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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE									OMB AF	OMB APPROVAL			
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may cont <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	tinue. Section	Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940											
(Print or Type I	Responses)												
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Kuo David C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. [AAOI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) C/O APPLI OPTOELEO JESS PIRTI	CTRONICS, I	(Middle) NC., 13139	-	Earliest Tr ay/Year)	ansaction			Director X Officer (give below) General Co		Owner er (specify retary			
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 					
SUGAR LA	AND, TX 7747	78						Person	lore than One Re	porting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	ear) Executio any		Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	01/22/2018			Code V F	Amount 403 (1)		Price \$ 35.03	20,853	D				

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Unde Secur	le and int of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F B	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Kuo David C C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. SUGAR LAND, TX 77478			General Counsel and Secretary				
Signatures							
/s/ David C. Kuo 01/24/2018							

<u>**</u>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).
- (1) Reflects shares surrendered to the Issuer to satisfy tax-withholding obligations upon the vesting of restricted stock unit award granted on February 21, 2017.

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