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1(b).

\$.001 par value

Common Stock,

\$.001 par value

02/06/2018

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Kuo David C Issuer Symbol APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS. (Check all applicable) INC. [AAOI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O APPLIED 02/05/2018 General Counsel and Secretary OPTOELECTRONICS, INC., 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Common Stock, 281 (1) 02/05/2018 F D 20,490 D

12,768

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33.258

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of
De	rivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative
Se	curity	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security
(In	str. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)
		Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
		Security				Acquired					
						(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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 02/07/2018

**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 award granted on February 4, 2016.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) were granted under the Company's 2013 Equity Incentive Plan, as amended. One-sixteenth of the RSUs vest every three months commencing on January 21, 2018.

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