## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Christensen Mark						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PIXELWORKS, INC [ PXLW ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2012												cer (give title	0	Other (spec below)		
224 AIRPORT PARKWAY SUITE 400						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) SAN JOSE CA 95110																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)																			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Exe if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)			Secu Bene Owne	ficially ed	6. Owners Form: Dire (D) or Indirect (I)	ect of Be Ov	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	,	v	Amoui	nt (/	4) or D)	Price			(Instr. 4)	(In	(Instr. 4)		
Common	2012	012			A			8,000		A	(1	)	61,695	D							
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)	erivative Conversion Date Executio ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		on Number E		Expiratio	6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		r. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ship of Be (D) Ov rect (In	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code		v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	Date Exercisable Da		iration	Title	or Nui of	Number							
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$1.37								(2)		05/1	9/2015	Common Stock	<sup>n</sup> 6,0	000		6,000	D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$2.43								(2)		05/2	0/2018	Common Stock	<sup>n</sup> 3,	333		3,333	D			
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.14								(2)		05/2	2/2017	Common Stock	<sup>1</sup> 3,	333		3,333	D			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the registrant's common stock. The restricted stock units will vest in full on the first to occur of (1) the day before the next annual meeting of the registrant's shareholders that follows the grant date or (2) the first anniversary of the grant date. The restricted stock units will be paid upon vesting, subject to any election by the reporting person to defer payment of the units to a later date.

2. 25% vest on the last day of the month of the first anniversary of the date of grant, with the remaining 75% vesting ratably on a monthly basis thereafter over three years.

By: Andrew P. Bates For:<br/>Mark Christensen05/16/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  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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