APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Li Chung-Yao (Ford)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS.

INC. [AAOI]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title below)

01/28/2014

(Month/Day/Year)

Sr. VP, Asia General Manager

OPTOELECTRONICS, INC., 13115

JESS PIRTLE BLVD.

C/O APPLIED

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Middle)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial

(Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.84	01/28/2014		A	4,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/28/2024	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Li Chung-Yao (Ford) C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. 13115 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

Sr. VP, Asia General Manager

Signatures

/s/ David C. Kuo for Chung-Yao Li 01/30/2014

**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) The stock option grant vests as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on January 28, 2015 and thereafter vests and shall continue to vest as to 1/6th of the remainder of the shares in equal semi-annual installments until all shares have vested.

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