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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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* <u>Kuo David C</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. (Street) SUGAR LAND TX 77478 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. [AAOI]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>General Counsel and Secretary</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/13/2022</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	12/13/2022		S		10,519 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$2.1765	96,130	D	
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	12/14/2022		S		8,804 ⁽²⁾	D	\$2.1823	87,326	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. These sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 8, 2022. The shares were sold in multiple transactions on December 13, 2022 at actual sale prices ranging from \$2.15 to \$2.25 per share. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold during each transaction.

2. These sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on November 8, 2022. The shares were sold in multiple transactions on December 14, 2022 at actual sale prices ranging from \$2.15 to \$2.20 per share. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold during each transaction.

/s/ David C. Kuo

12/15/2022

** 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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