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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
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)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
General Counsel and Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC., 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD.  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/24/2017

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478  
(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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	07/24/2017		F		759 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$ 89.95 25,041 D
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	07/24/2017		S		1,116 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$ 94.8709 <sup>(3)</sup> 23,925 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)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

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C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.  
13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD.  
SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

General Counsel and Secretary

## Signatures

/s/ David C. Kuo                      07/24/2017

\_\_Signature of                      Date  
Reporting Person

## 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.
- (2) The sales were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on March 7, 2017.

The shares were sold in multiple transactions on July 24, 2017 at an actual sale price ranging from \$94.87 to \$94.88 per share. The price reported reflected the weighted average sale price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold during each transaction.

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