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| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Lin Chewei | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. [AAOI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC., 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction(Month/Day/Year)03/11/2019 | X_Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below)below) | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | |
| SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 | | Person | | | |
| (Instr. 3) any (Month/ | | 5. Amount of Securities6. Ownership Form: Direct7. Nature of IndirectBeneficially Owned(D) orBeneficialOwnedIndirect (I)OwnershipFollowing Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock, 03/11/2019 \$.001 par value | F 212 (1) D \$ 13.01 | 47,130 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 3 | Date | Amou Under Secur | rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | 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 | | |
| Lin Chewei C/O APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. 13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 | Х | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | |
| /s/ David C. Kuo, attorney in fact for Che-Wei Lin | 03/13/2019 | | | | | |
| **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 unit award granted on June 8, 2018.

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