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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

A Carelli Charles R Jr

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

11/09/2004

EXACT SCIENCES CORP [EXAS]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION, 100 **CAMPUS DRIVE**

(Street)

(Check all applicable) 10% Owner Director

_X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Prin. Acct. Off. & Corp. Ctlr. 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MARLBORO, Â MAÂ 01752

(State)

(City)

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

(I)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect

(Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

Exercisable

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion

5. Ownership or Exercise Form of

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration

Date

Title

Amount or Number of Derivative Security

Price of

Derivative Security: Direct (D)

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| | | | | Shares | | or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|-----------------------------|-----|------------|---|--------|---------|----------------------------|---|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | (1) | 11/09/2004 | Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share | 20,000 | \$ 3.04 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|--|
| . 0 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| Carelli Charles R Jr | | | Prin. | | |
| C/O EXACT SCIENCES CORPORATION | â | Â | Acct. Off. | â | |
| 100 CAMPUS DRIVE | А | A | & Corp. | A | |
| MARLBORO, MA 01752 | | | Ctlr. | | |

Signatures

/s/ Charles R.
Carelli, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Option is subject to a four year vesting schedule, with 25% of the option becoming exercisable November 9, 2005, and 2.083% of the option becoming exercisable on the first day of each subsequent one month period thereafter until fully exercisable.

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