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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

Consent Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of
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eXegenics Inc.
(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

Foundation Growth Investments LLC
EI Acquisition Inc.
(Name of Person(s) Filing Consent Statement, if other than the Registrant)

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FOUNDATION GROWTH INCREASES EXEGENICS TENDER OFFER PRICE TO \$0.51 PER SHARE IN CASH AND EXTENDS OFFER TO AUGUST 15, 2003

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, July 31, 2003 - Foundation Growth Investments LLC and EI Acquisition Inc. announced today that they are increasing their cash offer price to \$0.51 per share for all of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and Series A Convertible Preferred Stock of eXegenics Inc. (Nasdaq: EXEG). They further announced they are extending the expiration date of their offer to 12:00 Midnight, New York City time on Friday, August 15, 2003.

Timothy Leonard, President of EI Acquisition Inc., made the following statement today: "Our offer to the eXegenics common stockholders is higher than the value of the AVI BioPharma, Inc. (Nasdaq: AVII) offer. Our offer is in cash. AVII is offering its highly volatile stock. Since the merger announcement, AVII stock has lost almost 20% of its value. As the AVII stock falls, so does the value of its offer to the eXegenics stockholders."

NOTICE FOR EXEGENICS STOCKHOLDERS

The complete terms and conditions of the offer are set forth in an offer to purchase, letter of transmittal, and other related materials which were filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on May 29, 2003, as amended, and distributed to eXegenics stockholders. eXegenics stockholders are urged to read the tender offer documents because they contain important information. Investors are able to receive such documents free of charge at the SEC's web site, www.sec.gov, or by contacting Morrow & Co., Inc., the Information Agent for the transaction, at (800) 607-0088, or William Blair & Company, the Dealer Manager and financial adviser for the transaction, at (800) 621-0687 ext. 5333.

THIS ANNOUNCEMENT IS NEITHER AN OFFER TO PURCHASE NOR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO SELL SHARES OF EXEGENICS INC.

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This announcement should not be construed to constitute a solicitation of any consent. Foundation Growth Investments has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission a preliminary consent statement relating to the solicitation of consents with respect to the removal of removal of all directors from the eXegenics board and the appointment of a new slate of directors. Foundation Growth Investments will furnish to eXegenics' stockholders, a definitive consent statement and may file other consent solicitation materials. Investors and security holders are urged to read the consent statement and any other consent solicitation materials (when they become available) because they will contain important information.

Investors and security holders are able to obtain a free copy of the preliminary consent statement and the definitive consent statement (when it is available) and other documents filed by Foundation Growth Investments with the Commission at the Commission's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, you will also be able to obtain a free copy of the definitive consent statement (when it is available) by contacting Morrow & Co., Inc., the Information Agent for the transaction, at

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Detailed information regarding the names, affiliations and interests of individuals who may be deemed participants in the solicitation of consents of eXegenics stockholders are available in the preliminary consent statement filed by Foundation Growth Investments with the SEC on Schedule 14A.