## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC</u> [MCHP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
SIMONCIC RICHARD J				·	Director	10% Owner	
(  act)	(Firet)			x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Last)	, , , , , , , , ,		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		VP, Analog and Intrf	c Prod Div	
C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED			10/29/2004	1			
2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD							
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing (Ch	neck Applicable Line)	
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				1	Form filed by More than Or	ne Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

## 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)	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	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(
Common Stock	10/29/2004		М		16,453	А	\$5.037	89,338 <sup>(1)(2)</sup>	I	Held Directly and Indirectly by Trust and by Wife and Mother- in-Law <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	10/29/2004		М		23,547	А	\$6.259	112,885 <sup>(3)</sup>	Ι	Held Directly and Indirectly by Trust and by Wife and Mother- in-Law <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock	10/29/2004		S		40,000	D	\$29.9315	72 <sub>2</sub> 885 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	Held Directly and Indirectly by Trust and by Wife and Mother- in-Law <sup>(4)</sup>

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

7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) 1. Title of 3. Transaction 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 8. Price of 3A. Deemed 9. Number of 10. 11. Nature 2. Conversion of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Derivative Date Execution Date Transaction Derivative Securities Expiration Date Derivative derivative Ownership Securities Beneficially Owned or Exercise Price of Code (Instr. 8) Form: Direct (D) Security (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Yea if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) Security (Instr. 5) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Derivative Security or Indirect (Instr. 4) Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (I) (Instr. 4) Amount Expiration Date Number of Shares Date Exercisable v (D) Title Code (A) Common Stock Common \$5.037 10/29/2004 10/21/1999 04/30/2006 D Option (Right to М 16.453 16.453 \$<mark>0</mark> 0 Stock Buy) Common Stock Common Option (Right to \$6.259 10/29/2004 М 23,547 07/01/2002 04/01/2008 23,547 \$<mark>0</mark> 30,453 D Stock . Buy)

## Explanation of Responses:

1. On 10/6/2004, the Reporting Person transferred ownership of 564 shares from Direct holding to Indirect holding, by Trust.

2. Of the 89,338 shares held, 21,240 shares were held Directly; 67,873 shares were held by Trust; and 225 shares were held by the Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.

3. Of the 112,885 shares held, 44,787 shares were held Directly; 67,873 shares were held by Trust; and 225 shares were held by the Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.

4. Of the 72,885 shares held, 4,787 shares were held Directly; 67,873 shares were held by Trust; and 225 shares were held by the Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorneyin-Fact 10/29/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\star}$  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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