

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHAPMAN MATTHEW W</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED</u> <u>2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD</u>  (Street) <u>CHANDLER</u> <u>AZ</u> <u>85224-6199</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [ MCHP ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/26/2006</u>  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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	01/26/2006		M		5,000	A	\$21	18,897 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Held Directly and Indirectly by Reporting Person's children and in Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	01/26/2006		S		5,000	D	\$36.831	13,897 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Held Directly and Indirectly by Reporting Person's children and in Trust. <sup>(2)</sup>

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$21	01/26/2006		M			5,000	08/01/2002	08/01/2012	Common Stock	5,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Of the 18,897 shares held, 18,500 shares were held Directly; 135 shares were held by Reporting Person's children, and 262 shares were held by Trust.  
2. Of the 13,897shares held, 13,500 shares were held Directly; 135 shares were held by Reporting Person's children, and 262 shares were held by Trust.

Remarks:

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/27/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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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