

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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>SIMONCIC RICHARD J</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [MCHP]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP, Analog and Intrfc Prod Div</u>		
(Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED</u> <u>2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD</u>			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/25/2006</u>					
(Street) <u>CHANDLER</u> <u>AZ</u> <u>85224-6199</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			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		
(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) (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	01/25/2006		M		37,125	A	\$8.963	111,104 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾	I	Held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust and wife and mother-in-law ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	01/25/2006		M		7,050	A	\$8.555	118,154 ⁽³⁾	I	Held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust and wife and mother-in-law ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	01/25/2006		S		44,175	D	\$35.7802	73,979 ⁽⁴⁾	I	Held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust and wife and mother-in-law ⁽⁴⁾

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)	\$8.963	01/25/2006		M			37,125	07/01/2001	04/17/2007	Common Stock	37,125	\$0	0	D	
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$8.555	01/25/2006		M			7,050	01/29/2000	01/29/2008	Common Stock	7,050	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. On 9/14/2005, the Reporting Person transferred ownership of 542 shares from Direct holding to Indirect holding, by Trust.
2. Of the 111,104 shares held, 41,912 shares were held Directly; 68,967 shares were held by Trust, and 225 shares were held by Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.
3. Of the 118,154 shares held, 48,962 shares were held Directly; 68,967 shares were held by Trust, and 225 shares were held by Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.
4. Of the 73,979 shares held, 4,787 shares were held Directly; 68,967 shares were held by Trust, and 225 shares were held by Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.

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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