FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* SIMONCIC RICHARD J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [MCHP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) below)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD		CORPORATED	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/30/2010		VP, Analog and Intrfc Prod Div		
(Street) CHANDLER (City)	AZ (State)	85224-6199 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individ	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Cf Form filed by One Reportii Form filed by More than O	ng Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	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	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/30/2010		М		43,200	A	\$23.389	122,632(1)	I	Shares held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust and Reporting Person's Wife and Mother- in-Law. ⁽¹⁾

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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative		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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$23.389	03/30/2010		М			43,200	03/31/2004	04/14/2010	Common Stock	43,200	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Of the 122,632 shares held, 7,652 shares were held Directly; 114,755 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-

03/31/2010

in-Fact
** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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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