FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Lesson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [ MCHP ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
			[	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O MICROCHID TECHNIOLOGY DICORDOR ATED			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2011		President, CEO	Chairman			
2355 WEST CHAI	NDLER BOULEVA	RD							
(Street) CHANDLER	AZ	85224-6199	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable     X 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)	Execution Date, Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr.						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/01/2011		A		909(1)	A	\$23.3665	4,677,957 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Held Directly and Indirectly by Trust.

# 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. Transac Code (li 8)		5. Num Derivat Securit Acquire or Disp (D) (Ins and 5)	ive ies ed (A) osed of	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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)		

# Explanation of Responses:

### Remarks:

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-

in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

03/03/2011 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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<sup>1.</sup> Shares were acquired under the Microchip Technology Incorporated 2001 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on March 1, 2011, in an exempt transaction pursuant to Rule 16(b)-3(d), paid for by contributions made during the six month period ended February 28, 2011.

 $<sup>2.\</sup> Of\ the\ 4,677,957\ shares\ held,\ 45,554\ shares\ were\ held\ Directly;\ 4,632,403\ shares\ were\ held\ by\ Trust.$