

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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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> (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>01/03/2012</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP, Analog and Intrfc Prod Div</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X 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)
Common Stock					81,854 ⁽¹⁾	I	Shares held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust and by 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	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)
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	01/03/2012		A	4,085	(3) (3)	Common Stock	\$0	4,085	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Of the 81,854 shares held, 7,652 shares were held Directly; 74,259 shares were held by Trust; and 225 shares were held by Reporting Person's wife and mother-in-law.
 2. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Microchip Technology Incorporated common stock.
 3. The restricted stock units will vest in full on February 15, 2016 as long as the individual remains a service provider through the vesting date and the Company achieves performance targets for operating expense in the quarter ended March 31, 2012. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person upon vest.

Remarks:

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/05/2012

** 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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