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 Ferson | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [MCHP] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
|--|------------|---------------------|---|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| MEYERCORD WADE F | | | MICROCITI TECHNOLOGI INCIII | X | Director | 10% Owner | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD | | CORPORATED | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/16/2012 | | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | |
| (Street) CHANDLER (City) | AZ (State) | 85224-6199 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv | Form filed by One Rep | g (Check Applicable Line) oorting Person in One Reporting Person | | | |

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Ac Disposed Of (D | | 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--|---|---|
| | | | | | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | | M | | 2,500 | A | \$21 | 17,056 | I | By Trust. |
| Common Stock | 02/16/2012 | | S | | 2,500 | D | \$37.1666 | 14,556 | I | 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 | | 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) | Owned Following Reported | Ownership Form: Direct (D) | 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) | \$21 | 02/16/2012 | | M | | | 2,500 | 08/01/2002 | 08/01/2012 | Common Stock | 5,000 | \$0 | 1,500 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-

in-Fact

** Signature of Reporting Person

02/17/2012

Date

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

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