FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address DREHOBL ST	EPHEN V	(Midela)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC</u> [MCHP]	(Check all applicable) Director	Director 10% Owner Construction of the second of the seco			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD		ICORPORATED	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/21/2012	VP, Security, MCU & Tech Div.				
(Street) CHANDLER	AZ	85224-6199	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	X Form filed b	by 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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		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	02/21/2012		S		495 ⁽¹⁾	D	\$37.0882	10,079	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

D	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)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	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:

1. The sale(s) reported in this Form 4 was/were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on December 10, 2010.

Remarks:

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-02/22/2012

in-Fact

** 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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