FORM 4

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

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [ MCHP ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
			[ mem ]	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/10/2012		President, CEO, Chairman			
(Street) CHANDLER AZ 85224-6199		85224-6199	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than On	g 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)	if any	3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		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	05/10/2012		M		133,750	A	\$24.04	4,970,051(1)(2)	I	Shares held Indirectly, by Trust and by FLP. <sup>(2)</sup>

# 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)	tive Conversion Dat		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)		Derivative	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)	\$24.04	05/10/2012		M			133,750	10/25/2003	10/25/2012	Common Stock	303,750	\$0	0	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On May 9, 2012, the Reporting Person transferred ownership of 14,604 shares from Direct holding to Indirect holding, by the Sanghi Family Trust.
- $2.\ Of\ the\ 4,970,051\ shares\ held,\ 1,933,115\ shares\ were\ held\ by\ the\ Sanghi\ Family\ Trust\ and\ 3,036,936\ shares\ were\ held\ by\ the\ Sanghi\ Family\ Limited\ Partnership.$

## Remarks:

<u>Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact</u>

05/11/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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