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 of Reporting Person* GATES WILLIAM H III					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
GATES WILLIAM IT III														_	C Direc		10% Owner			
(Last)	(Fil	rst) ((Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									belov	er (give title v)	below)	(specify		
ONE MICROSOFT WAY					11/	11/10/2005										Chairman of the Board				
(Street)					- 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
REDMOND WA 98052					_										X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(St	ate) ((Zip)												Person					
		Tab	le I - No	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	f, or B	enef	iciall	y Owne	ed				
D		2. Transac Date (Month/Da		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a					es ally Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial					
						(Moi	nth/Day	/Year)	8) Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Pri	ce	Followii Transac (Instr. 3		(I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005	T			S		32,475	D	_	27.1	1,007	,466,861	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005	\vdash			S		111,295	D	\$2	27.09		,355,566	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005	\vdash			S		181,230	D	\$2	27.08	1,007	,174,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005				S		50,000	D	\$2	27.07	1,007	,124,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005				S		30,000	D	\$2	27.06	1,007	,094,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005				S		164,642	D	\$2	27.05	1,006	,929,694	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005				S		165,419	D	\$2	27.04	1,006	,764,275	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		110,991	D	\$2	27.03	1,006	,653,284	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		119,148	D	\$2	27.02	1,006	,534,136	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005				S		5,852	D	\$2	27.01	1,006	,528,284	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		328,948	D		\$27	1,006	,199,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		50,000	D	\$2	26.97	1,006	,149,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		126,301	D	\$2	26.96	1,006	,023,035	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		23,699	D	\$2	26.94	1,005	,999,336	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		17,409	D	\$2	26.93	1,005	,981,927	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2	2005	$oxed{oxed}$			S		193,489	D	\$2	26.92	1,005	,788,438	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/	2005				S		124,603	D	<u> </u>	26.91		,663,835	D			
Common	Stock			11/10/2				_	S		164,499	D		26.9		499,336(1)	D			
		Та									osed of, convertib				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	e Conversion Date Exe or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if ar		3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I			ransaction ode (Instr.				Exercion Da /Day/Y		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		. 3	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er						

Explanation of Responses:

1. In addition, there are 425,066 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks

* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 4, 2005, by and on behalf of William H. Gates III, filed as Exhibit 99.3 to Cascade Investment, L.L.C.'s Amendment No. 5 to Schedule 13G with respect to Canadian National Railway Company on February 11, 2005, SEC File No. 005-48661, and incorporated by reference herein.

William H. Gates III By: /s/ 11/15/2005 Michael Larson*, Attorney-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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