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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	ess of Reporting Per <mark>/ICH</mark>	rson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MICROSOFT CORP</u> [MSFT]	(Check	tionship of Reporting Pe all applicable) Director Officer (give title	rson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) ONE MICROS	(First) OFT WAY	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2005		below) Senior Vice Pr	below)
(Street) REDMOND	WA	98052-6399	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person	porting 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 A Disposed Of (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	09/22/2005		A		10,200 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	49,308	D	
Common Stock								1,631 ⁽²⁾	Ι	By 401(k)
Common Stock								499,231	Ι	By Spouse

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

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	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. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/)	ate	7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	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)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents stock award which shall vest over 5 years at the rate of 20% on August 31, 2006 and then at the rate of 20% on each August 31 thereafter, subject to continued employment. 2. 401(k) balance as of August 31, 2005

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Michelle J. Mathews 09/26/2005

** 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).

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