FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SINOFSKY STEVEN J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]							(Che	ck all application	•		on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION ONE MICROSOFT WAY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2011								below)	Officer (give title below)  President, Windo			·		
(Street) REDMO (City)	)ND W	7A	98052-6399 (Zip)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	`	Ta	ble I - N	on-Dei	rivativ	ve S	ecur	ities Ac	quired	d, Di	sposed of	, or Ben	eficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ar) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		A) or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		: Direct I Indirect I str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock			01/2	01/25/2011				M		44,444(1)	A	\$25.143	3 737	,951		D			
Common Stock			01/2	01/25/2011				S		44,444(1)	D	\$28.18	693	,507		D			
Common Stock			01/2	27/2011				M		44,444(1)	A	\$25.143	3 737	,951	D				
Common Stock			01/2	/25/2011				S		44,444(1)	D	\$28.75	693	3,507		D			
			Table II								oosed of, convertib			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	kercise (Month/Day/Year) e of vative	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	7. Title and Amor of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio	is Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	V (A) (D)		Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$25.1438	01/25/2011			М			44,444 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/20	/2006	02/20/2011	Common Stock	44,444	\$0	44,44	4	D		
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$25.1438	01/27/2011			M			44,444 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/20.	/2006	02/20/2011	Common Stock	44,444	\$0	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The exercise of the stock option and the sale of the underlying shares were made under a 10b5-1 plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

## Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Steven J. Sinofsky

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/27/2011

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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