FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH BRADFORD L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]								Relationship of eck all application	able)	g Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s	/ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION ONE MICROSOFT WAY					08/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2006								below)	below) esident			
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Lin	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Deriv. 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D				action	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 1)			(A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		Form:	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
Common Stock 08/31				./2006		Code	v	Amount 277,750 ⁽⁾	(A) or (D)	Price \$0	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	nd 4)	D		(Instr. 4)			
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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea	Date, T	Code (Inst				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title an of Securit Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 a	ties ig e Security	Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	e s ally g	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				C	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ion(a)		
Performance Rights	\$0 ⁽²⁾	08/31/2006			M			90,750 ⁽³⁾	08/31/	2006	08/30/2008	Common Stock	90,750	\$0	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shared performance stock award (SPSA) granted in August 2003 for a 3-year performance period that ended on June 30, 2006. The number of shares is based on the achievement of pre-defined performance criteria. One-third of the SPSA vested on and was distributed to the reporting person on August 31, 2006, an additional one-third shall vest and be distributed to the reporting person on each of August 31, 2007 and August 31, 2008, provided that the reporting person remains continuously employed through the applicable vesting date.

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-08/31/2006 Fact for Bradford L. Smith

** 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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^{3.} Performance right converted into shared performance stock award. This performance right was previously reported as a 33% minumum of the target performance metrics established for a 3-year performance period that ended on June 30. 2006.