#### FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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)				
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2009									X	Offic below	er (give title	10% ( Other below	(specify
Street) REDMOND WA 98052 (City) (State) (Zip)				_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
		Tabl	eI-	Non-Deriv	ative	Seci	uritie	s Ac	qui	red, [	Disp	posed o	f, or E	Benefic	ially	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea				/ear)   i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		:,   T	3. 4. Securities A Disposed Of (I Code (Instr. 8)		cquired (A) or O) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5) Secu Bene		cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							c	Code V Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	,  т		ection(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 08/11/2009					09	9			S		1,0	000,000	D \$23.18		855 <sup>(1)</sup>	5 <sup>(1)</sup> 720,135,590 <sup>(2)</sup>		D	
	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)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code ( 8)					6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		-		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)			

### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$23.11 to \$23.39. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.
- 2. In addition, there are 424,816 shares owned by the 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 purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

## Remarks:

/s/ Alan Heuberger, Attorney-In-Fact for William H. Gates

08/13/2009

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\*\* 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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