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* BACH ROBERT J (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION | | | | | | | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008 | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer neck all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) below) President, Entertainment Div. | | | |
|---|---|--|---|--------|--|---|---|---|--|--|-----------------------|---|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| ONE MICROSOFT WAY (Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | _ 4.1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deri | vativ | e Se | curit | ties Ac | quired | I, Di | sposed o | of, or Be | neficial | ly Owned | <u> </u> | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da | | | | | ar) E | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | Benefici Owned | es ally Following | Form (D) o | n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reporte Transac (Instr. 3 | on(s) | | | (111501. 4) | |
| Common Stock 09/08/2 | | | | | | .008 | | M | | 25,000 |) A | \$21.59 | 91 774 | 1,588 | | D | | |
| | | - | Гable II - | | | | | | | | oosed of, converti | | | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | e S Illy | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | able | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to | \$21.591 | 09/08/2008 | | | М | | | 25,000 | 07/31/2 | 007 | 07/31/2012 | Common Stock | 25,000 | \$0 | 405,55 | 56 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert J. Bach

09/08/2008

** 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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