Instruction 1(b).

## 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* <u>BACH ROBERT J</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [ MSFT ]									lationship o ck all applic Directo	able) r	g Perso	10% Ow	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE MICROSOFT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2006								X	below)	(give title enior Vio	ive title Other (specify below) nior Vice President		
(Street) REDMOND WA 98052-6399					_   4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					n
(City)					<u> </u>									<u> </u>					
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					saction	ar) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A)		red (A)	or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Direct Indirect I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	Pri	ce	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock				01/31/2006					M		89,000	) A	. \$6	5.2227	501	1,625		D	
Common Stock				01/31/2006		5			S		10,000	D	\$	\$28.19		1,625		D	
Common Stock				01/31/2006		5			S		5,000	D	1	28.2	486	6,625		D	
Common Stock				01/3	01/31/2006				S		5,000	D	\$	28.22	481	,625		D	
Common Stock 01				01/3	31/2006				S		5,000	D \$28.		28.25	476,625			D	
Common Stock 01/31				1/2006	5			S		5,000	D	\$	28.26	471	,625		D		
Common Stock 01/31/2				1/2006	′2006					10,000	D	\$	28.32 461		,625		D		
Common Stock 01/31/2				1/2006	2006			S		5,000	D	\$	28.35	456,625		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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	ed Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number n of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye		sable and e	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e Own Forn Direc or In (I) (Ir	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or	ount nber res					
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$6.2227	01/31/2006					89,000		11/15/20	04	07/15/2006	Common Stock 89,0		000	\$0	\$0 501,400		D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

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

02/01/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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