FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name an	3. Da	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     MIDDLEBY CORP [ MIDD ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)										all app	onship of Reporting Il applicable) Director Officer (give title		Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specif					
(Last)	(Fir	,	∕lidd	,	08/2	08/27/2012										below)			below)	
1400 TO.	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)									
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(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	ip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Da				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execution		med on Date, Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and 5) Secu Bene Own		icially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Со	de	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(mou. 4)	
Common	08/27/201	12					S		101	D	\$113.0	)149	23,899		I	)				
Common	08/28/201	12					S		9,899	D	\$113.0	707	14,000		I	)				
	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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date irity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ecution Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				Expiration re (Month/Dages d				7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)		Seci (Ins	vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owr For Dire or I (I) (I	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A	A) (D)		Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of Shares						

Explanation of Responses:

Martin M. Lindsay POA 08/29/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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