FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] LINDSAY MARTIN M					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2017								х	Offic belo	'	below	(specify /)
1400 TOASTMASTER DR													Treasurer				
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
ELGIN IL 60120													X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)				-										Forn Pers	,	e than One Re	porting
(City)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					Execution Da			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 5)			4 and Secur		ficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
							Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)		ce	Repo Trans		((
Common Stock 03/06/20					17		S		5,000	1) \$1	\$139.41		6,682	D		
Common Stock 03/08/20					17			S		5,000	Ι) \$	\$139.3		1,682	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)	e Execution Date, Tr			de V (A) (D)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbo of Title Shares		Price rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactior (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Explanation of Responses:

Martin M. Lindsay

03/08/2017

** 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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