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* SIERON MARK A						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [ MIDD ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	(Fi	,	(Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2007								give title Vice Pr	tle Other (sp below) e President		specify	
(Street) ELGIN (City)	ELGIN IL 60120 (City) (State) (Zip)					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					
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					tion	on 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securitie Disposed C and 5)	s Acquire	ed (A) or	5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned	silly	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)		4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 05/15/20					007		M <sup>(1)(2)(3)</sup>		5,225	A	(1)(2)(3)	45,3	325		D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed ion Date,	4. Transac Code (II 8)	tion	5. Number of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		able and	7. Title a Amount Securitie Underlyi Derivativ Security and 4)	ind of es ing	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securitie Benefici Owned Followir Reporter Transact (Instr. 4)	re es ally ig d tion(s)	10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficia Ownersh	ect al nip
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Option to Buy	\$10.51	05/15/2007			M <sup>(1)</sup>			600 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/05/2006	(1)	03/05/2013 <sup>(1)</sup>	common stock	600	\$10.51 <sup>(1)</sup>	27,97	77	D		
Option to buy	\$5.9	05/15/2007			M <sup>(2)</sup>			2,000	02/26/2006	(2)	02/26/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	common stock	2,000(2)	\$5.9 <sup>(2)</sup>	25,91	77	D		
option to	\$53.93	05/15/2007			M <sup>(3)</sup>			2,625(3)	02/28/2007	(3)	02/28/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	common	2,625	\$53.93 <sup>(3)</sup>	23,3	52	D		

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Option exercise related to the grant of 3,000 Incentive Stock Options on March 5, 2003. The grant carries a strike price of \$10.51, the closing price of Middleby Common stock on the date of grant.
- 2. Option exercise related to the grant of 10,000 Incentive Stock Options on February 26, 2002. The grant carries a strike price of \$5.90, the closing price of Middleby Common stock on the date of grant.
- 3. Option exercise related to the grant of 25,000 Non-Qualified Stock Options on February 28, 2005. The grant carries a strike price of \$53.93, the closing price of Middleby Common stock on the date of grant.

Mark A. Sieron

05/23/2007

\*\* 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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