FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BASSOUL SELIM A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]										olicable)	g Person(s) to	Issuer Owner
(Last)	(Fir.	st) (N		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2013								X	belov	,	Other below nan, Presiden	,		
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) ELGIN (City)	IL (Sta	IL 60120 (State) (Zip)												X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yes					ear) i	Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,					and 5) Secur		rities I ficially (ed I	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Re _l Tra		rted action(s) . 3 and 4)	(11301. 4)	(111301. 4)
Common Stock 09/04/2013						.3			S ⁽¹⁾		3,874	D	\$191.	91.89(2)		5,868	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)	tive Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) 3) Price of Derivative Security Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)		vative rities gired r osed) r. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		of Deri Secu	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Owned Follow Report Transa (Instr.		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares sold pursuant to existing 10b5-1 plan.
- 2. The sales price reported is the weighted average sale price for the number of shares sold. Full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be supplied upon request by the Securities & Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer.

Martin M. Lindsay POA 09/06/2013

** 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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