## 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 <sup>*</sup> SIERON MARK A					MID	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MIDDLEBY CORP</u> [ midd ]										olicable)	ng Person(s) to 10%	lssuer Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/22/2003								х	Offic belo	er (give title w)	Other below	(specify /)	
419 WEST VICTORIA LANE														Vice President				
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 12/23/2003								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable _ine)				
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(City)	(Sta	ate) (Z	) (Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/Ye				/ear) Ex	Execution Date,						es Acquired (A) Df (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Secur	ficially d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Price	)	Repo Trans		(	(
Common Stock 12/22/2003					3(1)	(1)		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		23,900(1)	D	\$43	\$43.53 <sup>(1)</sup>		0,100 <sup>(1)</sup>	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)	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	te Exec			Transaction Code (Instr.		imber vative rities iired r osed ) r. 3, 4 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/		Date	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Secu (Inst	rice vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Explanation	of Pos pops				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares					

1. Original filing incorrectly listed 12-22-2002 as the transaction date. Actual transaction occurred on 12-22-2003

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\*\* 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).

\*\* 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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