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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> BASSOUL SELIM A	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [ MIDD ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/11/2013	- X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) CEO, Chairman, President
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(Street) ELGIN IL 60120		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/11/2013		M <sup>(2)</sup>		4,347	A	\$9.235	309,233	D	
Common Stock	06/11/2013		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		4,347	D	<b>\$166.86</b> <sup>(3)</sup>	304,886	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2013		M <sup>(2)</sup>		200	Α	\$9.235	305,086	D	
Common Stock	06/12/2013		<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	\$166.55(3)	304,886	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ivative urities juired or posed D) etr. 3,	6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.235	06/11/2013		M <sup>(2)</sup>			4,347	10/23/2003	10/23/2013	Common Stock	4,347	\$9.235 <sup>(2)</sup>	33,509	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.235	06/12/2013		M <sup>(2)</sup>			200	10/23/2003	10/23/2013	Common Stock	200	\$9.235 <sup>(2)</sup>	33,309	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares sold pursuant to existing 10b5-1 plan.

2. Exercise of vested stock options granted on October 23, 2003 at a split adjusted exercise price of \$9.235. The option grant was 100% vested on the date of grant.

3. 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 06/13/2013

\*\* 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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