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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D	.C. 20549
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Instruction 1(b).

Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Mittelman Bryan E.						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  MIDDLEBY Corp [ MIDD ]									neck all app Direc	,	ng Pe	rson(s) to Is 10% O Other (	wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/07/2021									A belov	below)  Chief Finan		below)	Specify
(Street) ELGIN (City)	ELGIN IL 60120									)	Lin	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
		Table	I - Noı	n-Deriva	tive S	Secu	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	, or E	3ene	ficia	lly Own	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution [		Date,	3. Transa Code ( 8)						Securit Benefic Owned	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or	Price	Transa	ction(s) 3 and 4)				
Common Stock 09/07/2					2021			A		2,500(1)	) <b>A</b>		(1)	17,109			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	Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year)		Code ( 8)	Transaction   Of   Code (Instr.   Sec   Acq (A) (C)   Disp of (E		osed ) r. 3, 4	6. Date Expirati (Month/	on Da Day/Y	e Amo Seci Und Deri Seci 3 an		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These shares represent time-based restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock on the applicable vesting date. These restricted stock units will vest 1/3 of amount on each of March 1, 2022, March 1, 2023 and March 1, 2024. Vested shares will be issued to the reporting person as soon as practicable after the applicable vesting date.

Michael D. Thompson POA 09/09/2021

\*\* 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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