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*  BASSOUL SELIM A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [ MIDD ]											Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner						
(Last)	,	rst) (	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/05/2013											X	belov	icer (give title		Other (specify below)			
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)											6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street) ELGIN	IL		50120													ine) X	Form	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																							
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Common Stock 06/05/20									M <sup>(2)</sup>		1	100		Α	\$9.2	\$9.235		304,986		D			
Common Stock 06/05/20						013			<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>			100		0 D \$		6.5	304,886(3)			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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Secu Acqu (A) o	vative urities uired or oosed o)	Expiratio	6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			d 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			of Deri Secu	Price erivative ecurity estr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	,	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$9.235	06/05/2013			M <sup>(2)</sup>			100	10/23/20	)3	10/23/20	13	Commo	n 1	00	\$9.3	235 <sup>(2)</sup>	50,735		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 06/06/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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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