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FORM 4

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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 [*] BASSOUL SELIM A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]	(Check a	tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2013	x	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)	
C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION			CEO, Chairman, Pr	,	
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street)		X	Form filed by One Reporting Person		
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(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)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of		ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	07/03/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		4,076	D	\$174.03 ⁽²⁾	273,157	D	
Common Stock	07/05/2013		S ⁽¹⁾		11,249	D	\$177.37 ⁽²⁾	261,908	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. Transact Code (In 8)		5. Number 6. Date Exercisable an of Expiration Date Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	Amour Securit Underl Derivat	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr.	of	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares				

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 07/08/2013

** 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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