

DREHOBL STEPHEN V
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 DREHOBL STEPHEN V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC
 [MCHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Security, MCU & Tech Div.

C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED, 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

(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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/25/2006		M	4,000 A \$ 15.917	9,332	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2006		M	13,000 A \$ 24.04	22,332	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2006		S	17,000 D \$ 35.7928	5,332	D	

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

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.917	01/25/2006		M	4,000	03/31/2005 04/02/2010		Common Stock	15,917
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.04	01/25/2006		M	13,000	10/25/2003 10/25/2012		Common Stock	13,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DREHOBL STEPHEN V C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199			VP, Security, MCU & Tech Div.	

Signatures

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/27/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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