#### **GATES WILLIAM H III**

Form 4

November 07, 2005

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **GATES WILLIAM H III** 

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ONE MICROSOFT WAY

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

11/03/2005

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman of the Board

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

REDMOND, WA 98052

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(City)	(State)	${\bf (Zip)} \qquad \qquad {\bf Table~I-Non-Derivative~Securities~Acquired, Disposed~of, or~Beneficially~Owned}$										
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 oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I	<b>)</b> )	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	100,000	D	\$ 26.44	1,017,399,336	D				
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	775,000	D	\$ 26.45	1,016,624,336	D				
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	175,000	D	\$ 26.46	1,016,449,336	D				
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	225,000	D	\$ 26.47	1,016,224,336	D				
Common Stock	11/03/2005		S	175,000	D	\$ 26.48	1,016,049,336	D				
	11/03/2005		S	250,000	D		1,015,799,336	D				

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Common Stock					\$ 26.49		
Common Stock	11/03/2005	S	250,000	D	\$ 26.5	1,015,549,336	D
Common Stock	11/03/2005	S	50,000	D	\$ 26.52	1,015,499,336 (1)	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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GATES WILLIAM H III ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052	X		Chairman of the Board					

# **Signatures**

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson\*,
Attorney-In-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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### **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).
  - In addition, there are 425,066 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these
- (1) securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

#### **Remarks:**

\* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 4, 2005, by an Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.