

MIDDLEBY CORP  
Form 10-K/A  
March 31, 2006

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

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FORM 10-K/A

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Amendment No. 1

Annual Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2005**

or

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Commission File No. 1-9973

**THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION**

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(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or  
organization)

**36-3352497**  
(IRS Employer Identification Number)

**1400 Toastmaster Drive, Elgin, Illinois**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**60120**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **847-741-3300**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **None**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Title of each class  
**Common stock,**  
**par value \$0.01 per share**

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.  
Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the Registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of Registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, or a non-accelerated filer. See definition of "accelerated filer and large accelerated filer" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes  No

The aggregate market value of the voting stock held by nonaffiliates of the Registrant as of July 1, 2005 was approximately \$380,886,920.

The number of shares outstanding of the Registrant's class of common stock, as of March 10, 2006, was 7,900,475 shares.

Documents Incorporated by Reference

Part III of Form 10-K incorporates by reference the Registrant's definitive proxy statement to be filed pursuant to Regulation 14A in connection with the 2006 annual meeting of stockholders.

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**EXPLANATORY NOTE**

This Amendment No. 1 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005 is being filed solely for the purpose of correcting certain inadvertent omissions in the certifications filed as Exhibits 31.1 and 31.2 thereto. No other changes have been made. This Amendment No. 1 does not change or update any of the company's previously reported financial statements or any other disclosure contained in the original Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 16, 2006.

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**PART IV**

**Item 15. Exhibits and Financial Statement Schedules**

31.1 Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended.

31.2 Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rule 13a-14(a) and Rule 15d-14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on the 31st of March 2006.

**THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION**

BY: /s/ Timothy J. FitzGerald

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Timothy J. FitzGerald  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities indicated on March 31, 2006.

| Signatures  | Title   |
|---|---|
| <b>PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER</b>                |   |
| /s/ Selim A. Bassoul                              | Chairman of the Board,<br>President, Chief Executive<br>Officer<br>and Director |
| Selim A. Bassoul                                  |   |
| <b>PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING OFFICER</b> |   |
| /s/ Timothy J. FitzGerald                         | Vice President, Chief Financial<br>Officer                                      |
| Timothy J. FitzGerald                             |   |

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