MOORTHY GANESH

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **MOORTHY GANESH**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [MCHP]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

Stock

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/11/2011

below)

Exec. VP & COO

C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY **INCORPORATED, 2355 WEST** CHANDLER BOULEVARD

(Street)

(State)

02/11/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

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CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

7. Nature of Ownership Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) (D) Code V Amount

13.000

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

66,553 (1)

Directly and Indirectly,

Held

Common 02/11/2011 S 13,000 D \$ 38 53,553 (2)

Price

Held Directly and Indirectly,

by Trust. (1)

by Trust. (2)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of onDerivative 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) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|--|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
| C | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Common Stock Option (Right to | \$ 23.7 | 02/11/2011 | | M | | 13,000 | 12/03/2002 | 12/03/2011 | Common Stock | 72,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Exec. VP & COO

MOORTHY GANESH C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

Signatures

Buy)

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact 02/15/2011

**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).
- (1) Of the 66,553 shares held, 12,186 shares were held Directly; 54,367 shares were held by Trust.
- (2) Of the 53,553 shares held, 12,186 shares were held Directly; 41,367 shares were held by Trust.

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