

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)
 12/03/2010

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/03/2010		M	4,340 A \$ 18.48	13,510	D	
Common Stock	12/03/2010		S	4,340 D \$ 35.29	9,170	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2010		M	12,000 A \$ 25.29	21,170	D	
Common Stock	12/06/2010		S	12,000 D \$ 35.435	9,170	D	

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 18.48	12/03/2010		M	4,340	03/31/2007 04/09/2013	Common Stock	26,000
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.29	12/06/2010		M	12,000	03/31/2009 04/01/2015	Common Stock	32,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

VP, Security, MCU & Tech
Div.

Signatures

Deborah L. Wussler, as
Attorney-in-Fact

12/07/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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