

WHITMAN BARBARA K
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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 *
WHITMAN BARBARA K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O DANZIGER AND DANZIGER, 405 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	07/20/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	100,000 D \$ 56 0		I	Joint with Spouse ⁽³⁾
Common Stock	07/20/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	182,006 D \$ 56 99,244		I	In Trust
Common Stock	07/20/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	118,625 D \$ 56 100,000		I	Trustee for Laura B. Whitman Trust ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	07/20/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	118,625 D \$ 56 100,000		I	Trustee for William F Whitman

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHITMAN BARBARA K C/O DANZIGER AND DANZIGER 405 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022		X		

Signatures

Barbara K. Whitman
08/15/2005
**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) Registered on Form S3
- (2) Barbara K. Whitman has no beneficial interest in these trusts.
- (3) William F Whitman and Barbara K Whitman Charityable Remainder Trust

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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