

MIDDLEBY CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BASSOUL SELIM A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION, 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE

(Street)

ELGIN, IL 60120

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/01/2011

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)
CEO, Chairman, President

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	04/01/2011 ⁽¹⁾		S ⁽¹⁾		27,143 ⁽¹⁾	D	
					\$ 93.75		717,441
Common Stock	04/04/2011 ⁽¹⁾		S ⁽¹⁾		25,396 ⁽¹⁾	D	
					\$ 95		692,045
common stock	04/05/2011 ⁽¹⁾		S ⁽¹⁾		1,747 ⁽¹⁾	D	
					\$ 95		690,298
Common Stock	04/05/2011 ⁽¹⁾		S ⁽¹⁾		100 ⁽¹⁾	D	
					\$ 96.26		690,198

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 Following Transaction (Instr. 3)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A)	(D)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

BASSOUL SELIM A
C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE
ELGIN, IL 60120

Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
X		CEO, Chairman, President	

Signatures

Martin M.
Lindsay POA

04/05/2011

__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) Shares sold pursuant to outstanding 10b5-1 Plan

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