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March 13, 2006

### FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### 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

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **COLE DAVID WAYNE** 

(Middle)

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/10/2006

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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ONE MICROSOFT WAY

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

(Street)

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

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

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Person

#### REDMOND, WA 98053-6399

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(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqui						red, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (D	))	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	ecurities Ownership eneficially Form: wned Direct (D) ollowing or Indirect eported (I) ransaction(s) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
Common	02/10/2006		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	D				
Stock	03/10/2006		M	196,000	A	6.2227	252,671	D				
Common Stock	03/10/2006		S	22,623 (1)	D	\$ 27.08	230,048	D				
Common Stock	03/13/2006		S	37,700 (1)	D	\$ 27.09	192,348	D				
Common Stock	03/10/2006		S	12,800 (1)	D	\$ 27.1	179,548	D				
Common Stock	03/10/2006		S	23,900 (1)	D	\$ 27.12	155,648	D				

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Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	20,777 (1)	D	\$ 27.13	134,871	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	4,900 (1)	D	\$ 27.14	129,971	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	33,800 (1)	D	\$ 27.15	96,171	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	10,400 (1)	D	\$ 27.16	85,771	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	10,800 (1)	D	\$ 27.17	74,971	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	12,540 (1)	D	\$ 27.18	62,431	D	
Common Stock	03/10/2006	S	5,760 <u>(1)</u>	D	\$ 27.2	56,671	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 6.2227	03/10/2006		M		196,000	11/15/2004	07/15/2006	Common Stock	196,0

(right to buy)

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COLE DAVID WAYNE ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98053-6399

Senior Vice President

**Signatures** 

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for David W. Cole

03/13/2006

\*\*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) This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person.

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