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January 04, 20	011									
FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION										
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Form 5 obligation: may contin <i>See</i> Instruct 1(b).	$\frac{s}{nue.}$ Section 17(a)) of the l	Public Ut		ng Com	pany Act	nge Act of 1934, of 1935 or Sectio 940			
(Print or Type Ro	esponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> LAMBERT DAVID S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			[MCHP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2011			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP, Fab Operations				
(Street) CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
							Person			
(City)	(State) (Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurities A	cquired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. De (Month/Day/Year) Execut any (Month			 4. Sect TransactionAcquir Code Dispos (Instr. 8) (Instr. Code V Amoundary 		(A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock								I	Shares held Directly and Indirectly by Trust and by Reporting Person's Children. (1)	

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)	Code	5. Number ionof 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. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
			Code V	7 (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	01/03/2011	А	3,876	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	3,876	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
LAMBERT DAVID S C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199			VP, Fab Operations		
Signatures					

Deborah L. Wussler, as 01/04/2011 Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Date

- Of the 172,170 shares held, 8,683 shares were held Directly; 160,698 shares were held by Trust; 1,339 shares were held by Reporting (1)Person's son; and 1,450 shares were held by Reporting Person's daughter.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Microchip Technology Incorporated common stock.
- The restricted stock units will vest in full on February 15, 2015 as long as the individual remains a service provider through the vesting
- (3) date and the Company achieves performance targets for operating profit in the quarter ended March 31, 2011. Vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person upon vest.

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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