#### MIDDLEBY CORP

Form 4 March 21, 2007

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* FITZGERALD TIMOTHY JOHN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]

Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2007

Director 10% Owner

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify Chief Financial Officer

C/O MIDDLEBY CORPORATION, 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE

> (Street) 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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

**ELGIN, IL 60120** 

(City)

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Stock

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

03/19/2007

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned **Following** Reported Transaction(s)

7. Nature of 6. Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) (I)

(9-02)

(Instr. 4)

Code V Amount

or (D)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Price \$

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	5	ate	Amou Under Secur	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)  Amount or Title Number of Shares	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Date	Title			

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FITZGERALD TIMOTHY JOHN C/O MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE ELGIN, IL 60120

Chief Financial Officer

### **Signatures**

Timothy 03/21/2007 Fitzgerald

\*\*Signature of Date
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).
- (1) Shares sold pursuant to 10b5-1 plan as previously filed
- (2) Avg Price

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