MIDDLEBY CORP

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MILLER JOHN R III

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]

(Check all applicable)

C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION, 1400 TOASTMASTER DR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2007

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

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

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

ELGIN, IL 60120

(City)

(Instr. 3)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

05/03/2007(1)

Code V Amount 1.500 $A^{(1)}$ (1)

\$0 (1)

(A)

 $21,500^{(1)}$

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)

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MILLER JOHN R III C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DR **ELGIN, IL 60120**



Signatures

Martin M. 05/07/2007 Lindsay POA

**Signature of Reporting 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).

On May 3, 2007 1,500 shares of restricted stock were granted to the reporting person. The grant vests in three equal installments as follows: - After January 1, 2008, 1/3rd vests if the 30 day avg price of Middleby common stock is greater or equal to \$140/ share. - After January 1, 2009, 1/3rd vests if the 30 day avg price of Middleby common stock is greater or equal to \$140/ share. - After January 1, 2010, 1/3rd vests if the 30 day avg price of Middleby common stock is greater or equal to \$155/ share.

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