

Bjornholt James Eric
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Bjornholt James Eric

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC
 [MCHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY
 INCORPORATED, 2355 WEST
 CHANDLER BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 05/11/2011

____ Director
 Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 VP and CFO

(Street)
 CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	05/11/2011		M	A	\$ 28.31	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		M	A	\$ 26.25	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		M	A	\$ 25.29	D	
Common Stock	05/11/2011		S	D	\$ 41.39	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. 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. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.31	05/11/2011		M	326	02/02/2005	02/02/2014	Common Stock	326
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.25	05/11/2011		M	1,000	07/21/2005	07/21/2014	Common Stock	1,000
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.29	05/11/2011		M	3,300	03/31/2009	04/01/2015	Common Stock	3,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bjornholt James Eric
C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED
2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD
CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

VP and CFO

Signatures

Deborah L. Wussler, as
Attorney-in-Fact

05/11/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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