

MICROSOFT CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CASH JAMES I

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION, ONE MICROSOFT WAY

(Street)

REDMOND, WA 98052-6399

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/09/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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**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)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 14,444  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 200   | I  | By son's UGTMA account            |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 200 <sup>(1)</sup>  | I  | By nephew's UGTMA account         |

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) | 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 03/09/2006                           |  | A V                            | 14<br>(3)   | (4) (4)  | Common Stock  | 14 \$ 0                                    |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CASH JAMES I<br>C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION<br>ONE MICROSOFT WAY<br>REDMOND, WA 98052-6399 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for James I. Cash, Jr. 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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission or that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Microsoft common stock.
- (3)

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Dividend equivalent rights accrue when and as dividends are paid on the Company's common stock and become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units to which they relate.

- (4) The restricted stock units are fully vested. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur in equal installments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary of the reporting person's separation from service to the Board of Directors.

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