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FORM 4

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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading DelBene Kurt D Issuer Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O MICROSOFT 12/23/2010 below) CORPORATION, ONE President, Offfice Division MICROSOFT WAY (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

REDMOND, WA 98052-6399

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (4 and 5	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/23/2010		Code V M	Amount 17,460 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 25.1438	132,161	D	
Common Stock	12/23/2010		S	17,460 (1)	D	\$ 27.97	115,161	D	
Common Stock							4,282	I	By Spouse IRA

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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President, Offfice Division

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) No. 0285355	\$ 25.1438	12/23/2010		M		17,460 (1)	02/20/2005	02/20/2011	Common Stock	17,460
Employee Stock Option (right to buy) No.	\$ 25.1438						02/20/2006	02/20/2011	Common Stock	43,649

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer

DelBene Kurt D C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION

C/O WICKOSOFT CORPORATION

ONE MICROSOFT WAY

REDMOND, WA 98052-6399

Signatures

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Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-fact for Kurt D. DelBene 12/27/2010

**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).

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(1) The exercise of the stock option and the sale of the underlying shares were made under a 10b5-1 plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

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