

SANDLER DAVID
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FORM 4

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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 *
SANDLER DAVID

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC [MSM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/10/2005

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

C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC, 75 MAXESS RD

(Street)

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

MELVILLE, NY 11747

(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		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005		S	476	D \$ 33.53	68,041	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005		S	100	D \$ 33.54	67,941	D
	01/10/2005		S	700	D	67,241	D

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Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾					\$			
					33.55			
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	600	D	\$	33.56	66,641	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	200	D	\$	33.57	66,441	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	100	D	\$	33.58	66,341	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	800	D	\$	33.59	65,541	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	2,900	D	\$	33.6	62,641	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	400	D	\$	33.65	62,241	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	100	D	\$	33.66	62,141	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	600	D	\$	33.67	61,541	D
	01/10/2005	S	4,600	D			56,941	D

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Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾					\$				
					33.68				
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	1,400	D	\$	55,541	D		
					33.69				
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽²⁾	01/10/2005	S	100	D	\$	55,441	D		
					33.7				
Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value						2,000	I		See Footnote <u>(1)</u>

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)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SANDLER DAVID C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC 75 MAXESS RD MELVILLE, NY 11747		X	President & COO	

Signatures

/s/ Shelley M. Boxer,
Attorney-in-Fact

01/12/2005

**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) Held in trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children.
- Because the SEC's electronic filing system does not allow for the disclosure of more than 30 transactions on one Form 4, the Reporting
- (2) Person is filing 2 simultaneous Form 4's to report his reportable transactions all of which together shall be deemed a single report filed on this date. This is the 2nd Form 4 of the 2 filings.

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