## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> LINDSAY MARTIN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [ MIDD ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/06/2016										X	Officer (give title below)	I	Other below)	(specify
1400 TOASTMASTER DR															Irea	asurer			
(Street)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
ELGIN IL 60120														Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)															Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Execution Date,			3.4. SecuriTransactionDisposeCode (Instr.and 5)8)						Se B O	Amount of ecurities eneficially wned ollowing	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	rect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	R R	eported ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)	(1150.4)		(1150.4)	
Common Stock 03/17/20					2016	)16			G	v	500		D	\$0 8		81,682	D		
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)	ve Conversion Date Execut or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		emed 4. Transac Code (h /Day/Year) 8)			tr. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) Amou or Numb of Title Share:		str. ount	8. Pric of Deriva Securi (Instr.	tive derivative Securities ty Beneficially	Owne Form Direc or Ind (I) (In 4)	t (D) tirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

## Martin M. Lindsay

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

04/15/2016

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

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

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