FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] BASSOUL SELIM A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MIDDLEBY CORP</u> [MIDD]	(Checl	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION		· · · ·	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2007		Director Officer (give title below) CEO, Chairman	10% Owner Other (specify below) , President					
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person					
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of		ed (A) or tr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock	06/01/2007		S ⁽²⁾		15,000(2)	D	\$124.7155 ⁽¹⁾	419,356	D	
common stock	06/04/2007		S ⁽²⁾		15,000 ⁽²⁾	D	\$125.256 ⁽¹⁾	404,356	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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (In 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr	5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Amour Securi Underl Deriva	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr.	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Avg Price

2. Shares sold pursuant to 10b5-1 Plan as filed

Selim A. Bassoul

06/05/2007

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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