

SINOFSKY STEVEN J

Form 4

December 22, 2010

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SINOFSKY STEVEN J

(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)  
12/20/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President, Windows Division

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ 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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/20/2010		M	(A) Amount 44,444 (1) Price \$ 25.1438	737,951	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2010		S	(D) Amount 44,444 (1) Price \$ 27.9	693,507	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2010		M	(A) Amount 44,444 (1) Price \$ 25.1438	737,951	D	
Common Stock	12/22/2010		S	(D) Amount 44,444 (1) Price \$ 27.98	693,507	D	

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.1438	12/20/2010		M		44,444	<u>(1)</u>	02/20/2006	02/20/2011	Common Stock	44,444
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 25.1438	12/22/2010		M		44,444	<u>(1)</u>	02/20/2006	02/20/2011	Common Stock	44,444

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SINOFSKY STEVEN J C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052-6399	President, Windows Division

## Signatures

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for Steven J. Sinofsky 12/22/2010

\_\_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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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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