

MOORTHY GANESH
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
MOORTHY GANESH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC
[MCHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Exec. VP & COO

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY
INCORPORATED, 2355 WEST
CHANDLER BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/03/2010

(Street)
CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount	Price	Shares held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust. (1)	
Common Stock	12/03/2010		M	20,000	A	\$ 23.7	68,133 (1)	I	Shares held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust. (1)
Common Stock	12/03/2010		S	20,000	D	\$ 35.3541	48,133 (2)	I	Shares held Directly

and
Indirectly,
by Trust.
(2)

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
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.7	12/03/2010		M	20,000	12/03/2002	12/03/2011	Common Stock	72,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MOORTHY GANESH
C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED
2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD
CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

Exec. VP & COO

Signatures

Deborah L. Wussler, as
Attorney-in-Fact

12/03/2010

__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).
- (1) Of the 68,133 shares held, 12,186 shares were held Directly; 55,947 shares were held by Trust.
- (2) Of the 48,133 shares held, 12,186 shares were held Directly; 35,947 shares were held by Trust.

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