MIDDLEBY CORP

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

03/20/2017

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A OBRIEN G	Symbol	Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD] Date of Earliest Transaction			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	Middle) 3. Date								
(,	(First) (1	,	Day/Year)		_X_ Director	109	% Owner		
C/O THE M	`	03/20/2017			ve titleOth	er (specify			
TOASTMA	STER DR								
	4. If An	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
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ELGIN, IL	00120				Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Code	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Code V Amount

1,000

 $A^{(1)}_{-}$

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

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

D

I

13,850

 $25,900^{(2)}$

or

(D)

A

Price

<u>(1)</u>

By Trust

(2)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired			•			Follo
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									Amount		
						Data	Evaluation		or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other OBRIEN GORDON

C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DR ELGIN, IL 60120



Signatures

Martin M. 04/10/2017 Lindsay POA

**Signature of Reporting 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) Reporting person was granted 1,000 shares of restricted stock on March 20, 2017. The grant is subject to a one-year vesting schedule that vests in full on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) These shares are held by a family trust, of which the reporting person is the trustee and a beneficiary.

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