

COX THOMAS  
Form 4  
November 03, 2004

**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 \*  
COX THOMAS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO  
INC [MSM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/01/2004

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

Senior Vice President of Sales

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value <sup>(1)</sup>	11/01/2004		S		60 D \$ 34.5	3,654	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value <sup>(1)</sup>	11/01/2004		S		60 D \$ 34.52	3,594	D
Class A Common	11/01/2004		S		7 D \$ 34.53	3,587	D

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Stock,  
\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

Class A  
Common

Stock,	11/01/2004	S	49	D	\$	34.54	3,538	D
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\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

Class A  
Common

Stock,	11/01/2004	S	16	D	\$	34.55	3,522	D
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\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

Class A  
Common

Stock,	11/01/2004	S	44	D	\$	34.59	3,478	D
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\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

Class A  
Common

Stock,	11/01/2004	S	16	D	\$	34.6	3,462	D
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\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

Class A  
Common

Stock,	11/01/2004	S	22	D	\$	34.61	3,440	D
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\$0.001 par  
value <sup>(1)</sup>

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 5)
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						Amount or Number of Shares
				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Code	V	(A)	(D)			

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COX THOMAS			Senior Vice President of Sales	

## Signatures

/s/ Thomas Cox	11/03/2004
<u>    </u> 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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