GERSHWIND ERIK

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GERSHWIND ERIK	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) C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC., 75 MAXESS ROAD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2006	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) SVP, Product Mgmnt & Marketing			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MELVILLE, NY 11747		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S	75	D	\$ 53.12	16,360	D	
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S	105	D	\$ 53.13	16,255	D	
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S	90	D	\$ 53.14	16,165	D	
Class A	04/20/2006		S	195	D	\$	15,970	D	

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Common Stock					53.15		
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	210	D	\$ 53.16	15,760	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	15	D	\$ 53.17	15,745	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	90	D	\$ 53.18	15,655	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	300	D	\$ 53.2	15,355	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	30	D	\$ 53.21	15,325	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	1
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	. 3 and 4)		1
	Security				Acquired						1
					(A) or						
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration	Title	or Number		
						Exercisable Da	xercisable Date	Title	of		
				Codo V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners 2

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GERSHWIND ERIK C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC. 75 MAXESS ROAD MELVILLE, NY 11747

SVP, Product Mgmnt & Marketing

Signatures

/s/ J. Robert Small, Attorney-in-Fact

04/24/2006

**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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