#### MICROSOFT CORP

Form 4

March 13, 2006

### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add CASH JAMES	•	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(		
C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION, ONE MICROSOFT WAY			(Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2006	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
REDMOND, WA 98052-6399			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative S	Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or 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)
Common Stock						14,444	D	
Common Stock						200	I	By son's UGTMA account
Common Stock						200 (1)	I	By nephew's UGTMA account

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		4.		5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title and A		
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transa Code (Instr.		nNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day/		Underlying S (Instr. 3 and		Derivat Security (Instr. 5
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	03/09/2006		A	V	14 (3)	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	14	\$ 0

## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CASH JAMES I C/O MICROSOFT CORPORATION ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052-6399	X						

# **Signatures**

Keith R. Dolliver, Attorney-in-Fact for James I. Cash, Jr. 03/13/2006

\*\*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).
- (1) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission or that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Microsoft common stock.

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Dividend equivalent rights accrue when and as dividends are paid on the Company's common stock and become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units to which they relate.

The restricted stock units are fully vested. Delivery of the shares to the reporting person will occur in equal installments on the first, second, third, fourth and fifth anniversary of the reporting person's separation from service to the Board of Directors.

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