

BOEHLKE CHARLES A JR  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
BOEHLKE CHARLES A JR

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)  
01/14/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EXECUTIVE VP AND CFO

C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC., 75 MAXESS ROAD

(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  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MELVILLE, NY 11747

(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) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value | 01/14/2011                           |  | M                              | 6,933 A   | \$ 44.17 49,760   | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value | 01/14/2011                           |  | S                              | 6,933 D   | \$ 60.25 42,827   | D  |                                   |

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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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Options (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>      | \$ 44.17   | 01/14/2011                           |  | M                              | 6,933   | <sup>(2)</sup> 10/12/2016                                | Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value                       | 6,933   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                      |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer              | Other |
| BOEHLKE CHARLES A JR<br>C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.<br>75 MAXESS ROAD<br>MELVILLE, NY 11747 | X             |           | EXECUTIVE VP AND CFO |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Charles  
Boehlke 01/18/2011

\*\*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) Represents options to purchase the Issuer's Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ("Common Stock").
- (2) An option to purchase 37,856 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock was issued to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2005 Omnibus Equity Plan. 9,464 shares of Common Stock became exercisable on October 13, 2010, and an additional 9,464 shares of Common Stock

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will become exercisable on each of October 13, 2011, October 13, 2012 and October 13, 2013.

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