

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC

Form 4

July 29, 2005

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 *
SCHROEDER JAMES A

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)
07/27/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP of Logistics

**C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT
CO INC, 75 MAXESS RD**

(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

MLEVILLE, 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/27/2005		M		4,000	A	\$ 14.5 24,472
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/27/2005		S		4,000	D	\$ 35.75 20,472

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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. P. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (right to buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$ 14.5	07/27/2005		M	4,000	<u>(2)</u>	09/21/2011	See Footnote ⁽³⁾	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHROEDER JAMES A
C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC
75 MAXESS RD
MLEVILLE, NY 11747

Senior VP of Logistics

Signatures

/s/ Charles A. Boehlke Jr.,
Attorney-in-fact

07/29/2005

__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) Option to purchase Issuer's Class A common stock, \$.001 par value.

(2) An option to purchase 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$.001 per share was issued to the Reporting person under the Issuer's 2001 Stock Option Plan. Such option became exercisable on March 1, 2002.

(3) Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value.

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