MICROSOFT CORP

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

1(b).

GATES WILLIAM H III Issuer Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify ONE MICROSOFT WAY 08/07/2008 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Applicable Line)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

REDMOND, WA 98052

(State)

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership of Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price \$ Common 797,130,446 08/07/2008 S 27.4118 D 2,000,000 D (2) Stock (1)

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)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GATES WILLIAM H III							
ONE MICROSOFT WAY	X						
REDMOND, WA 98052							

Signatures

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson*,
Attorney-In-Fact

08/11/2008

**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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$26.80 to \$27.73. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.
- In addition, there are 424,816 shares owned by the reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

Remarks:

* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 3, 2006, by an

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