

GERSHWIND ERIK

Form 4

April 24, 2006

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

04/20/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

SVP, Product Mgmnt & Marketing

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)

X 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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		270 \$ 52.75	23,950	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		165 \$ 52.76	23,785	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006		S		105 \$ 52.77	23,680	D
Class A	04/20/2006		S		195 \$	23,485	D

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Common Stock					52.78		
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	165	D	\$ 52.79	23,320	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	405	D	\$ 52.8	22,915	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	795	D	\$ 52.81	22,120	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	600	D	\$ 52.82	21,520	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	315	D	\$ 52.83	21,205	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	105	D	\$ 52.84	21,100	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	120	D	\$ 52.85	20,980	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	30	D	\$ 52.86	20,950	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	180	D	\$ 52.88	20,770	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	60	D	\$ 52.9	20,710	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	90	D	\$ 52.96	20,620	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	210	D	\$ 52.97	20,410	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	345	D	\$ 52.98	20,065	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	75	D	\$ 52.99	19,990	D

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Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	2,610	D	\$ 53	17,380	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	90	D	\$ 53.01	17,290	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	30	D	\$ 53.02	17,260	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	195	D	\$ 53.03	17,065	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	60	D	\$ 53.04	17,005	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	75	D	\$ 53.05	16,930	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	75	D	\$ 53.06	16,855	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	15	D	\$ 53.07	16,840	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	120	D	\$ 53.08	16,720	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	15	D	\$ 53.09	16,705	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	240	D	\$ 53.1	16,465	D
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2006	S	30	D	\$ 53.11	16,435	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)

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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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
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

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
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