

Bjornholt James Eric
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**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 *
 Bjornholt James Eric

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC
 [MCHP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY
 INCORPORATED, 2355 WEST
 CHANDLER BOULEVARD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2012

____ Director
 ___X___ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 VP and CFO

(Street)
 CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

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

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	03/01/2012		A		543 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 23.3665
					11,065	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)

