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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC Form 4 August 19, 2005 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JACOBSON MITCHELL Issuer Symbol MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO (Check all applicable) INC [MSM] _X_ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., 08/17/2005 Chairman and CEO INC., 75 MAXESS ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting MELVILLE, NY 11747 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	tionDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>	08/17/2005		J <u>(2)</u>	946,246 (<u>3)</u>		<u>(4)</u>	(4)	Class A Common Stock	946,246
Class B Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	3,000,000
Class B Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>						(4)	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	1,500,000
Class B Common Stock	<u>(1)</u>						<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	7,650,706 (8)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
JACOBSON MITCHELL MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC. 75 MAXESS ROAD MELVILLE, NY 11747	Х	Х	Chairman and CEO			
Signatures						
/s/ J. Robert Small, Attorney-in-Fact	08/19/200	5				
**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) The Class B Common Stock is convertible at any time into Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) On August 17, 2005, under the terms of the trust instrument, the Reporting Person became trustee of the Marjorie Diane Gershwind 1994
 (2) Qualified Fifteen Year Annuity Interest Trust (the "Gershwind 1994 Trust") following the death of the prior trustee.
- (3) Such shares continue to be owned of record by the Gershwind 1994 Trust and indirectly beneficially owned by Marjorie Diane Gershwind as set forth in her Reports under Section 16.
- (4) The Class B Common Stock is immediately convertible into Class A Common Stock and does not expire.
- (5) Includes 946,246 shares of Class B Common Stock as Trustee of the Gershwind 1994 Trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the Gershwind 1994 Trust.

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Includes 3,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock previously reported as directly owned that were contributed to the Mitchell L. Jacobson 2005 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (the "Jacobson 2005 GRAT") on April 4, 2005. The Reporting Person is the Settlor and

(6) Jacobson 2005 Granto Retained Annulty Flust (the Jacobson 2005 GRAT) on April 4, 2005. The Reporting Person and Trustee of the Jacobson 2005 GRAT. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Jacobson 2005 GRAT.

Includes 1,500,000 shares of Class B Common Stock previously reported as directly owned that were contributed to the Mitchell L. Jacobson 2005 Grantor Retained Annuity Trust #2 (the "Jacobson 2005 GRAT 2") on April 18, 2005. The Reporting Person is the Settlor

(7) and Trustee of the Jacobson 2005 GRAT 2. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares owned by the Jacobson 2005 GRAT 2.

Includes 169,561 shares of Class B Common Stock previously reported by the Reporting Person as Settlor of the Mitchell Jacobson 1998
(8) Qualified Seven Year Annuity Trust. Since the date of the Reporting Person's last report, such shares have been distributed and are now owned directly by the Reporting Person.

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