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Form SC 13G  
June 25, 2018

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Schedule 13G

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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b), (c)  
AND (d) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO 13d-2  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934\*

The Middleby Corporation  
(Name of Issuer)

Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share  
(Title of Class of Securities)

596278101  
(CUSIP Number)

June 13, 2018  
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this  
Schedule is filed:

- Rule 13d-1(b)  
 Rule 13d-1(c)  
 Rule 13d-1(d)

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person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of  
securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which  
would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not  
be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities  
Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that  
section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act  
(however, see the Notes).

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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Investors LP

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a)   
(b)

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 3,031,662

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
3,031,662

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
3,031,662

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
5.4%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
PN

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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Performance LLC

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
1,888,884  
OWNED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0  
REPORTING \_\_\_\_\_  
PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
1,888,884  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,888,884  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
3.4%  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Equities LP  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(3) SEC USE ONLY  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware  
\_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
0  
SHARES \_\_\_\_\_  
BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
644,115  
OWNED BY \_\_\_\_\_  
EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0  
REPORTING \_\_\_\_\_  
PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
644,115  
\_\_\_\_\_

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
644,115

(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
1.2%

(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Equities II LP

(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

(3) SEC USE ONLY

(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 37,766

EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
37,766

(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
37,766

(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
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0.1%

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S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
VGE III Portfolio Ltd.

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
  
(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Cayman Islands

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 1,207,003

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
1,207,003

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,207,003

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
2.2%

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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

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S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Long Fund GP LLC

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 834,887

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
834,887

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
834,887

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
1.5%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Long Fund Master Ltd.

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

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Cayman Islands

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NUMBER OF SHARES	(5)	SOLE VOTING POWER 0
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BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	(6)	SHARED VOTING POWER 834,887
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EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	(7)	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0
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	(8)	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 834,887
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(9)	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 834,887	
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(10)	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	[ ]
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(11)	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 1.5%	
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(12)	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON CO	
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(1)	NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON Viking Global Opportunities GP LLC	
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(2)	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP	(a) [ ] (b) [x]
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(4)	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware	
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NUMBER OF SHARES	(5)	SOLE VOTING POWER 0
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BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	(6)	SHARED VOTING POWER 307,891
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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
0

REPORTING

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
307,891

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
307,891

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.6%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Opportunities Portfolio GP LLC

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 307,891

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
307,891

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
307,891

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.6%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Viking Global Opportunities Liquid Portfolio Sub-Master LP

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Cayman Islands

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 307,891

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
307,891

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
307,891

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.6%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
O. Andreas Halvorsen

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(3) SEC USE ONLY

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Norway

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NUMBER OF SHARES	(5) SOLE VOTING POWER 0
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	(6) SHARED VOTING POWER 3,031,662
EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	(7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0
	(8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 3,031,662

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
3,031,662

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
5.4%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
David C. Ott

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

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NUMBER OF (5) SOLE VOTING POWER  
SHARES 0

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BENEFICIALLY (6) SHARED VOTING POWER  
OWNED BY 3,031,662

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EACH (7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING 0

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PERSON WITH (8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
3,031,662

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(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED  
BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
3,031,662

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(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT  
IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

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(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED  
BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
5.4%

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(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
IN

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(1) NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
Rose S. Shabet

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(2) CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) [ ]  
(b) [x]

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(4) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
United States

NUMBER OF SHARES	(5) SOLE VOTING POWER 0	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	(6) SHARED VOTING POWER 3,031,662	
EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	(7) SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0	
	(8) SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 3,031,662	
	(9) AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 3,031,662	
	(10) CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	[ ]
	(11) PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 5.4%	
	(12) TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON IN	

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ITEM 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER:  
The Middleby Corporation

ITEM 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:  
1400 Toastmaster Drive  
Elgin, Illinois 60120

ITEM 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING:  
Viking Global Investors LP ("VGI"),  
Viking Global Performance LLC ("VGP"),  
Viking Global Equities LP ("VGE"),  
Viking Global Equities II LP ("VGEII"),  
VGE III Portfolio Ltd. ("VGEIII"),  
Viking Long Fund GP LLC ("VLFGP"),  
Viking Long Fund Master Ltd. ("VLFM"),  
Viking Global Opportunities GP LLC ("Opportunities GP"),  
Viking Global Opportunities Portfolio GP LLC  
("Opportunities Portfolio GP"),  
Viking Global Opportunities Liquid Portfolio Sub-Master LP  
("Opportunities Fund"),  
O. Andreas Halvorsen, David C. Ott and  
Rose S. Shabet (collectively, the "Reporting Persons")

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- ITEM 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE:  
The business address of each of the Reporting Persons is  
55 Railroad Avenue, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830.
- ITEM 2(c). CITIZENSHIP:  
VGI, VGE and VGEII are Delaware limited partnerships;  
VGEIII and VLFM are Cayman Islands exempted companies;  
VGP, VLFGP, Opportunities GP and Opportunities Portfolio GP  
are Delaware limited liability companies; and Opportunities Fund  
is a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership.  
O. Andreas Halvorsen is a citizen of Norway.  
David C. Ott and Rose S. Shabet are citizens of  
the United States.
- ITEM 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:  
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 ("Common Stock")
- ITEM 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER: 596278101
- ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO 13d-1(b) OR 13d-2(b) OR (c),  
CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:
- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the  
Act
  - (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act
  - (c)  Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of  
the Act
  - (d)  Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940
  - (e)  Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the  
Investment Advisers Act of 1940: see Rule 13d-  
1(b)(1)(ii)(E)
  - (f)  Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject  
to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income  
Security Act of 1974 or Endowment Fund; see Rule 13d-  
1(b)(1)(ii)(F)

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- (g)  Parent Holding Company, in accordance with Rule 13d-  
1(b)(ii)(G)
- (h)  Savings Associations as defined in Section 3(b) of the  
Federal Deposit Insurance Act
- (i)  Church Plan that is excluded from the definition of an  
investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940
- (j)  A non-U.S. institution in accordance with  
Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)

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- (k) [ ] Group, in accordance with Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).  
If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with  
Rule 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify  
the type of institution:

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP.

A. VGI

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,031,662  
(b) Percent of class: 5.4%  
(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:  
(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0  
(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
3,031,662  
(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0  
(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 3,031,662

VGI provides managerial services to VGE, VGEII, VGEIII, VLFM and Opportunities Fund. VGI has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), VGI may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGE, VGEII, VGEIII, VLFM and Opportunities Fund. VGI does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

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B. VGP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,888,884  
(b) Percent of class: 3.4%  
(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:  
(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0  
(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
1,888,884  
(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0  
(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 1,888,884

VGP, as the general partner of VGE and VGEII, has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VGE and VGEII. VGP serves as investment manager to VGEIII and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VGEIII. VGP does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, VGP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGE, VGEII and VGEIII.

C. VLFGP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 834,887

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- (b) Percent of class: 1.5%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
834,887
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 834,887

VLFGP serves as the investment manager of VLFM and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by VLFM. VLFGP does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, VLFGP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VLFM.

### D. Opportunities GP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 307,891
- (b) Percent of class: 0.6%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
307,891
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 307,891

Opportunities GP serves as the sole member of Opportunities Portfolio GP and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock controlled by Opportunities Portfolio GP, which consists of the shares of Common Stock directly held by Opportunities Fund. Opportunities GP does not directly own any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, Opportunities GP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock controlled by Opportunities Portfolio GP, which consists of the shares of Common Stock directly held by Opportunities Fund.

### E. Opportunities Portfolio GP

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 307,891
- (b) Percent of class: 0.6%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
307,891
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 307,891

Opportunities Portfolio GP serves as the general partner of Opportunities Fund and has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by Opportunities Fund. Opportunities Portfolio GP does not directly own any shares of

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Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, Opportunities Portfolio GP may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by Opportunities Fund.

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F. VGE

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 644,115
- (b) Percent of class: 1.2%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
644,115
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 644,115

VGE has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its general partner, VGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VGP, which provides managerial services to VGE.

G. VGEII

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 37,766
- (b) Percent of class: 0.1%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
37,766
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 37,766

VGEII has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its general partner, VGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VGP, which provides managerial services to VGEII.

H. VGEIII

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 1,207,003
- (b) Percent of class: 2.2%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
1,207,003
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 1,207,003

VGEIII has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares



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of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its investment manager, VGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VGP, which provides managerial services to VGEIII. Viking Global Equities III Ltd. (a Cayman Islands exempted company) invests substantially all of its assets through VGEIII.

### I. VLFM

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 834,887
- (b) Percent of class: 1.5%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
834,887
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 834,887

VLFM has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its investment manager, VLFGP, and by VGI, an affiliate of VLFGP, which provides managerial services to VLFM. Viking Long Fund LP (a Delaware limited partnership) and Viking Long Fund III Ltd. (a Cayman Islands exempted company), through its investment in Viking Long Fund Intermediate LP (a Cayman Islands limited partnership), invest substantially all of their assets through VLFM.

### J. Opportunities Fund

- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 307,891
- (b) Percent of class: 0.6%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
307,891
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 307,891

Opportunities Fund has the authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock directly owned by it, which power may be exercised by its general partner, Opportunities Portfolio GP, and by VGI, an affiliate of Opportunities Portfolio GP, which provides managerial services to Opportunities Fund. Viking Global Opportunities LP (a Delaware limited partnership) and Viking Global Opportunities III LP (a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership), through its investment in Viking Global Opportunities Intermediate LP (a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership), invest substantially all of their assets in Viking Global Opportunities Master LP (a Cayman Islands exempted limited partnership), which in turn invests through Opportunities Fund.

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- (a) Amount beneficially owned: 3,031,662
- (b) Percent of class: 5.4%
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
0
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
3,031,662
  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 0
  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition  
of 3,031,662

Mr. Halvorsen, Mr. Ott and Ms. Shabet, as Executive Committee Members of Viking Global Partners LLC, general partner of VGI ("VGPL"), VGP, VLFGP and Opportunities GP, have shared authority to dispose of and vote the shares of Common Stock beneficially owned by VGI, VGP, VLFGP and Opportunities GP. None of Mr. Halvorsen, Mr. Ott and Ms. Shabet directly owns any shares of Common Stock.

Based on Rule 13d-3 of the Act, each may be deemed to beneficially own the shares of Common Stock directly held by VGE, VGE II, VGEIII, VLFM and Opportunities Fund.

- ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS.  
If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the Reporting Persons has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following.[]
- ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON.  
Yes, see Item 4.
- ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY.  
Not applicable.
- ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP.  
Not applicable.
- ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP.  
Not applicable.
- ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION. (if filing pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c))  
By signing below each Reporting Person certifies that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

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DATED: June 25, 2018

/s/ O. ANDREAS HALVORSEN

By: O. Andreas Halvorsen - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP

/s/ DAVID C. OTT

By: David C. Ott - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP

/s/ ROSE S. SHABET

By: Rose S. Shabet - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP

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EXHIBIT A - JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

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This joint filing agreement is made and entered into as of this 25th day of June, 2018, by and among Viking Global Investors LP, Viking Global Performance LLC, Viking Global Equities LP, Viking Global Equities II LP, VGE III Portfolio Ltd., Viking Long Fund GP LLC, Viking Long Fund Master Ltd., Viking Global Opportunities GP LLC, Viking Global Opportunities Portfolio GP LLC, Viking Global Opportunities Liquid Portfolio Sub-Master LP, O. Andreas Halvorsen, David C. Ott and Rose S. Shabet.

The parties hereby agree to jointly prepare and file a Schedule 13G with respect to The Middleby Corporation, as well as any amendments thereto, pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the date first set forth above.

Dated: June 25, 2018

/s/ O. ANDREAS HALVORSEN

By: O. Andreas Halvorsen - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP

/s/ DAVID C. OTT

By: David C. Ott - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING LONG FUND MASTER LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES GP LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP

/s/ ROSE S. SHABET

By: Rose S. Shabet - individually and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING GLOBAL PERFORMANCE LLC, on behalf of itself and VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES LP, VIKING GLOBAL EQUITIES II LP and VGE III PORTFOLIO LTD., and as an Executive Committee Member of Viking Global Partners LLC, on behalf of VIKING GLOBAL INVESTORS LP, and as an Executive Committee Member of VIKING LONG FUND GP LLC, on behalf of itself

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of itself and VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PORTFOLIO GP LLC and  
VIKING GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES LIQUID PORTFOLIO SUB-MASTER LP