

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**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 \*  
**ECCLESTON THOMAS**

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)  
**C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC., 75 MAXESS ROAD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**07/09/2007**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**Vice President**

**MELVILLE, NY 11747**

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/09/2007		M	2,500	A \$ 32.4	6,147	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/09/2007		M	1,250	A \$ 37.45	7,397	D
	07/09/2007		S	27	D	7,370	D

Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value						\$ 57.08		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/09/2007		S	21	D	\$ 57.02	7,349	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/09/2007		S	3,702	D	\$ 57	3,647	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)

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. P Der Sec (Ins	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 32.4	07/09/2007		M	2,500	<sup>(2)</sup>	10/26/2011	See Footnote <sup>(4)</sup>	2,500
Options (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 37.45	07/09/2007		M	1,250	<sup>(3)</sup>	10/21/2012	See Footnote <sup>(4)</sup>	1,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

