MIDDLEBY CORP

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

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * YOHE ROBERT L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director10% Owner			
CORPORAT	O THE MIDDLEBY DRPORATION, 1400 DASTMASTER DR		03/07/2008	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ELGIN, IL 60120			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	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 Ac	canired Disposed of or Reneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secui	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securin(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/07/2008		S	2,000	D	\$ 62.167	36,000	D	
Common Stock	03/07/2008		G <u>(1)</u>	1,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	35,000	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transacti	5. onNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Monda Day/ Teal)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	of	(Month/Day/ e	(Month/Day/Year)		ring es and 4)	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Number		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Pinneters 1007 Owner Officers Officers

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

YOHE ROBERT L C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DR ELGIN, IL 60120



Signatures

Martin M. Lindsay POA 03/13/2008

**Signature of Reporting 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) Transaction represents a gift to a qualified charitable organization

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