#### PARNELL GORDON W

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PARNELL GORDON W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INC [MCHP]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify			
C/O MICRO	СНІР ТЕСІ	HNOLOGY	(Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2006	below) below) VP and CFO			
INCORPOR			01/24/2000				
CHANDLER	BOULEV.	ARD					
(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			
CHANDLER	R, AZ 85224	1-6199		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit oper Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (		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	01/24/2006		M	30,000	A	\$ 10.037	40,790 (1)	I	Held Directly and Indirectly, by Trust (1)
Common Stock	01/24/2006		S	30,000	D	\$ 35.67	10,790	I	By Trust

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ionDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.037	01/24/2006		M		30,000	04/01/2003	04/14/2009	Common Stock	30,000

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PARNELL GORDON W C/O MICROCHIP TECHNOLOGY INCORPORATED 2355 WEST CHANDLER BOULEVARD CHANDLER, AZ 85224-6199

VP and CFO

## **Signatures**

Deborah L. Wussler, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/25/2006

\*\*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) Of the 40,790 shares held, 30,000 shares were held Directly; 10,790 shares were held by Trust.

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