#### MICROSOFT CORP

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GATES WILLIAM H III			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol MICROSOFT CORP [MSFT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
ONE MICROS	SOFT WAY	,	(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2006	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board		
	(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		
REDMOND, WA 98052				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

### (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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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. Securitie or Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (I	<b>)</b> )	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			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$	· ·		
Stock	08/01/2006		S	25,000	D	24.18	970,474,336	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2006		S	25,000	D	\$ 24.16	970,449,336	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2006		S	53,400	D	\$ 24.14	970,395,936	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2006		S	49,815	D	\$ 24.13	970,346,121	D	
Common Stock	08/01/2006		S	29,600	D	\$ 24.12	970,316,521	D	

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Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	8,700	D	\$ 24.11	970,307,821	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	16,257	D	\$ 24.1	970,291,564	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	26,385	D	\$ 24.09	970,265,179	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	136,500	D	\$ 24.08	970,128,679	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	134,043	D	\$ 24.07	969,994,636	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	139,700	D	\$ 24.06	969,854,936	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	115,600	D	\$ 24.05	969,739,336	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	29,200	D	\$ 24.04	969,710,136	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	99,468	D	\$ 24.03	969,610,668	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	103,672	D	\$ 24.02	969,506,996	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	84,628	D	\$ 24.01	969,422,368	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	142,300	D	\$ 24	969,280,068	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	160,232	D	\$ 23.99	969,119,836	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	83,200	D	\$ 23.98	969,036,636	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	61,600	D	\$ 23.97	968,975,036	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	73,200	D	\$ 23.96	968,901,836	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	86,429	D	\$ 23.95	968,815,407	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	50,471	D	\$ 23.94	968,764,936	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	57,800	D	\$ 23.93	968,707,136	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	86,000	D	\$ 23.92	968,621,136	D
	08/01/2006	S	48,300	D		968,572,836	D

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Common Stock					\$ 23.91		
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	56,500	D	\$ 23.9	968,516,336	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S	7,000	D	\$ 23.89	968,509,336	D
Common Stock	08/01/2006	S		D	\$ 23.88	968,499,336 (1)	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)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	ection	5. aNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GATES WILLIAM H III ONE MICROSOFT WAY REDMOND, WA 98052	X		Chairman of the Board					

# **Signatures**

William H. Gates III By: /s/ Michael Larson\*, 08/03/2006 Attorney-In-Fact

> Date \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

3 Reporting Owners

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### **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).
  - In addition, there are 425,066 shares owned by reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these
- (1) securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purpose of Section 16 or for any other purposes.

#### **Remarks:**

\* Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated February 3, 2006, by an Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.