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MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC Form 4 October 25, 2005 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ECCLESTON THOMAS Issuer Symbol MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO (Check all applicable) INC [MSM] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT 10/21/2005 V.P. of Facilities & Secretary CO INC, 75 MAXESS RD (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting MLEVILLE, NY 11747 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of SEC 1474 information contained in this form are not (9-02)required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4. 5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount	8. P
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction of Derivative	Expiration Date	of Underlying	Der

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Options (right to buy)	\$ 37.45	10/21/2005		А	5,000		<u>(1)</u>	10/21/2012	See Footnote (2)	5,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ECCLESTON THOMAS C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC 75 MAXESS RD MLEVILLE, NY 11747			V.P. of Facilities & Secretary			
Signatures						

/s/ Thomas 10/25/2005 Eccleston

**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).

Options to purchase 1,250 shares of Class A Common Stock are exercisable on October 21, 2006, 1,250 shares of Class A Common

- (1) Stock are exercisable on October 21, 2007, 1,250 shares of Class A Common Stock are exercisable on October 21, 2008 and 1,250 shares of Class A Common Stock are exercisable on October 21, 2009.
- (2) Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value

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