#### MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JACOBSON MITCHELL	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC [MSM]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/23/2009	_X_ Director _X_ 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
CO., INC., 75 MAXESS ROAD	10/23/2009	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			
MELVILLE, NY 11747		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired Disposed of or Reneficially Owne			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	red, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr 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)
Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value	10/23/2009		M	33,305	, ,	\$ 14.5	203,474	D	
Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value	10/23/2009		S	33,305	D	\$ 47.6307	170,169	D	
	10/26/2009		M	17,200	A	\$ 14.5	187,369	D	

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Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value								
Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value	10/26/2009	S	17,200	D	\$ 47.7928 (2)	170,169	D	
Class A Common Stock, \$ 0.001 par value						71,951	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	vative Expiration Date rities (Month/Day/Year) sposed of E. 3, 4,		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
Options (right to buy) (4)	\$ 14.5	10/23/2009		M	33,305	<u>(5)</u>	09/20/2011	Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value	33,305
Options (right to buy) (4)	\$ 14.5	10/26/2009		M	17,200	(5)	09/20/2011	Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value	17,200

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### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JACOBSON MITCHELL

C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC.
75 MAXESS ROAD

MELVILLE, NY 11747

## **Signatures**

/s/ Mitchell Jacobson, by J. Robert Small, Attorney-in-Fact

10/27/2009

\*\*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).
- Represents the sale of 33,305 shares in 37 separate transactions, ranging from \$47.50 to \$48.15 per share, resulting in a weighted average (1) sale price per share of \$47.6307. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.
- Represents the sale of 17,200 shares in 42 separate transactions, ranging from \$47.50 to \$47.99 per share, resulting in a weighted average (2) sale price per share of \$47.7928. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range.
- (3) Such shares are owned by the Mitchell L. Jacobson 2005 GRAT #2, a trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's son, of which the Reporting Person's spouse is a co-trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by such trust.
- (4) Represents options to purchase the Issuer's Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ("Common Stock").
- An option to purchase 250,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock was issued to the Reporting Person under the Issuer's 2001 Stock (5) Option Plan. One-fifth of such option became exercisable on each of September 21, 2002, September 21, 2003, September 21, 2004, September 21, 2005 and September 21, 2006.

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