

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ECCLESTON THOMAS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC [MSM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC, 75 MAXESS RD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 11/02/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP OF FACILITIES & SECRETARY

MLEVILLE, NY 11747

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | | S | 69 | D \$ 33.52 | 2,448 | D |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | | S | 11 | D \$ 33.53 | 2,437 | D |
| | 11/02/2004 | | S | 40 | D | 2,397 | D |

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| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | \$ | | | |
| | | | | | 33.55 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 19 | D | \$ | 2,378 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.56 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 3 | D | \$ | 2,375 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.57 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 57 | D | \$ | 2,318 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.58 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 5 | D | \$ | 2,313 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.59 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 331 | D | \$ | 1,982 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.6 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 326 | D | \$ | 1,656 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.62 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 84 | D | \$ | 1,572 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.63 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 62 | D | \$ | 1,510 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.64 | | | |
| | 11/02/2004 | S | 134 | D | | 1,376 | | D |

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| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | \$ | | |
| | | | | | 33.65 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 22 | D | \$ | 1,354 | D |
| | | | | | 33.66 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 59 | D | \$ | 1,295 | D |
| | | | | | 33.67 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 11 | D | \$ | 1,284 | D |
| | | | | | 33.68 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 3 | D | \$ | 1,281 | D |
| | | | | | 33.73 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 24 | D | \$ | 1,257 | D |
| | | | | | 33.75 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 3 | D | \$ | 1,254 | D |
| | | | | | 33.86 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 8 | D | \$ | 1,246 | D |
| | | | | | 33.9 | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 5 | D | \$ | 1,241 | D |
| | | | | | 33.92 | | |
| | 11/02/2004 | S | 8 | D | | 1,233 | D |

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| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | | | | | \$ | | | |
| | | | | | 33.94 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 5 | D | \$ | 1,228 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.96 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 8 | D | \$ | 1,220 | | D |
| | | | | | 33.97 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 51 | D | \$ | 1,169 | | D |
| | | | | | 34 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 57 | D | \$ | 1,112 | | D |
| | | | | | 34.01 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 46 | D | \$ | 1,066 | | D |
| | | | | | 34.02 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 27 | D | \$ | 1,039 | | D |
| | | | | | 34.03 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 67 | D | \$ | 972 | | D |
| | | | | | 34.04 | | | |
| Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value ⁽¹⁾ | 11/02/2004 | S | 113 | D | \$ | 859 | | D |
| | | | | | 34.05 | | | |
| | 11/02/2004 | S | 8 | D | | 851 | | D |

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