MIDDLEBY CORP 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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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brewer David			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Shoon all approacte)			
1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2017	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (special below) Chief Operating Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
ELGIN, IL 60120			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

J120	ELGIN, IL

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactioner Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	1 and 5))	Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/13/2017		A(1)	24,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 (1)	50,670	D	
Common Stock	03/13/2017		F(2)	11,508 (2)	D	\$ 139.22	39,162	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Brewer David

1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE **Chief Operating Officer**

ELGIN, IL 60120

Signatures

Martin M. 03/15/2017 Lindsay POA

**Signature of Reporting 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 shares acquired upon vesting of performance-based restricted stock that were awarded on February 24, 2014.
- (2) Transaction related to surrender of shares to fund reporting person's tax liability related to vesting of performance-based restricted stock.

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