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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BASSOUL SELIM A** Issuer Symbol MIDDLEBY CORP [MIDD] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O THE MIDDLEBY 03/15/2014 below) CORPORATION, 1400 CEO, Chairman, President TOASTMASTER DRIVE (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 **ELGIN, IL 60120**

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquii	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. Securities omr Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ľ))	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 Stock	03/15/2014		A(1)	200,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 (1)	265,868	D	
Common	03/15/2014		F(2)	83,900	D	\$ 285.21	181,968	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying ies	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BASSOUL SELIM A C/O THE MIDDLEBY CORPORATION 1400 TOASTMASTER DRIVE ELGIN, IL 60120	X		CEO, Chairman, President				

Signatures

Martin M. Lindsay POA 03/24/2014

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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).
- (1) Represents shares acquired upon vesting of performance-based restricted stock that were awarded on March 28, 2011.
- (2) Transaction related to surrender of shares to fund reporting person's tax liability related to vesting of performance-based restricted stock. 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.

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