

GERSHWIND ERIK  
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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 \*  
 GERSHWIND ERIK

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.

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 01/04/2010

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President and COO

(Street)  
 MELVILLE, NY US 11747

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	01/04/2010		G	61,200	A	\$ 0	39,288 <sup>(1)</sup>	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 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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common Stock	(2)	01/04/2010		G	222,379	(2) (2)	Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	222,379
Class B Common Stock	(2)	01/04/2010		G	39,761 (4)	(2) (2)	Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	39,761
Class B Common Stock	(2)	04/06/2011		G	112,737 (4)	(2) (2)	Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	112,737

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GERSHWIND ERIK C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC. 75 MAXESS RD. MELVILLE, NY US 11747	X		President and COO	

## Signatures

/s/ Erik  
Gershwind 02/03/2012

\*\*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).

(1) Represents the number of shares of Class A Common Stock held directly by the Reporting Person as of the date of this filing.

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- (2) The Class B Common Stock is convertible immediately on a one-for-one basis into shares of Class A Common Stock and does not expire.
- (3) Represents the number of shares of Class B Common Stock held directly held by the Reporting Person as of the date of this filing.
- (4) Represents shares of Class B Common Stock received by a trust of which the Reporting Person is a beneficiary and co-trustee.
- (5) Represents the number of shares of Class B Common Stock held indirectly by the Reporting Person as of the date of this filing through the trust of which the Reporting Person is beneficiary and co-trustee.
- (6) Represents shares of Class B Common Stock held by a trust of which the Reporting Person is beneficiary and co-trustee. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by such trust.

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