

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 *
 COX 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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/28/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive VP, Sales

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

(Street)

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

MELVILLE, NY 11747

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	04/28/2008		M	3,038	A \$ 13.9375	28,800	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	04/28/2008		S	538	D \$ 49.46	28,262	D
	04/28/2008		S	400	D \$ 49.43	27,862	D

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Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 100 D \$ 49.39 27,762 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 300 D \$ 49.38 27,462 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 200 D \$ 49.37 27,262 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 1,100 D \$ 49.36 26,162 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 300 D \$ 49.35 25,862 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/28/2008

S 100 D \$ 49.34 25,762 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

04/29/2008

S 2,275 D \$ 49.13 23,487 D

Class A
Common
Stock,
\$0.001 par
value

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