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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SCHROEDER JAMES A Issuer Symbol MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO (Check all applicable) INC [MSM] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT 07/29/2005 Senior VP of Logistics CO INC, 75 MAXESS RD (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

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, 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)	(A) or		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)	
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005		M	Amount 24,104	(D)	Price \$ 14.5	44,576	D	
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 38.65	42,576	D	
	07/29/2005		S	900	D		41,676	D	

Class A					\$		
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value					38.67		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	100	D	\$ 38.69	41,576	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	300	D	\$ 38.7	41,276	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	600	D	\$ 38.73	40,676	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	100	D	\$ 38.74	40,576	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	900	D	\$ 38.77	39,676	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	900	D	\$ 38.81	38,776	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 38.83	37,476	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	1,500	D	\$ 38.84	35,976	D
	07/29/2005	S	100	D		35,876	D

Class A					\$		
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value					38.85		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	2,504	D	\$ 38.86	33,372	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 38.87	32,072	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	200	D	\$ 38.88	31,872	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	300	D	\$ 38.89	31,572	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	700	D	\$ 38.91	30,872	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	400	D	\$ 38.92	30,472	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	200	D	\$ 39.02	30,272	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	900	D	\$ 39.03	29,372	D
	07/29/2005	S	800	D		28,572	D

Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value					\$ 39.04		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	3,400	D	\$ 39.05	25,172	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	700	D	\$ 39.06	24,472	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 39.11	23,372	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	600	D	\$ 39.12	22,772	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	600	D	\$ 39.13	22,172	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	800	D	\$ 39.14	21,372	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	500	D	\$ 39.15	20,872	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	07/29/2005	S	400	D	\$ 39.16	20,472	D

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and :	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (right to buy) (1)	\$ 14.5	07/29/2005		M		24,104	(2)	09/21/2011	See Footnote (3)	24,104

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SCHROEDER JAMES A C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC 75 MAXESS RD MLEVILLE, NY 11747

Senior VP of Logistics

Signatures

/s/ Charles A. Boehlke Jr., Attorney in Fact

08/02/2005

**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) Option to purchase Issuer's Class A common stock, \$.001 par value.
- (2) An option to purchase 50,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock, par value \$.001 per share was issued to the Reporting person under the Issuer's 2001 Stock Option Plan. Such option became exercisable on March 1, 2002.
- (3) Class A Common Stock, \$.001 par value.

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