

MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Armstrong Steve

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)  
10/19/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP, GC and Corp. Secy.

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 US 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	10/19/2016		M	752	A	\$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	13,164	D
Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	10/19/2016		M	19.49	A	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	13,183	D
	10/19/2016		F	285 <sup>(3)</sup>	D		12,898	D

Class A  
Common  
Stock,  
\$0.001 par  
value

\$  
71.04

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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units (RSU)	<u>(1)</u>	10/19/2016		M	752	<u>(4)</u> <u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	752
Dividend Equivalent Units (DEU)	<u>(2)</u>	10/19/2016		M	19.49	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	19.49

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Armstrong Steve C/O MSC INDUSTRIAL DIRECT CO., INC. 75 MAXESS ROAD MELVILLE, NY US 11747			SVP, GC and Corp. Secy.	

## Signatures

/s/ Steve  
Armstrong

10/21/2016

\_\_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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The dividend equivalent units accrued with respect to an outstanding award of RSUs and vest at the same time(s) as the underlying RSUs. Each dividend equivalent unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock.
- (3) Disposition of Class A Common Stock to the Issuer solely to cover tax withholding obligations arising from the vesting of RSUs and DEUs.

- (4) 752 of 3,763 RSUs granted on October 19, 2015 vest on each of October 19, 2016 and October 19, 2017 and 753 of these RSUs vest on each of October 19, 2018, October 19, 2019 and October 19, 2020, provided that the Reporting Person remains continuously employed by the Issuer through each applicable vesting date. The vested shares will be delivered to the Reporting Person upon vesting.

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