BUCHWALD HERBERT T

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BUCHWALD HERBERT T**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

4350 S. MONACO STREET, SUITE 10/01/2010

500

4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

DENVER, CO 80237

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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or Code V Amount (D) Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

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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

2. Conversion

or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	d of				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Non-Statutory Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.03	10/01/2010		A		25,000		10/01/2010	10/01/2020	Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	25

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BUCHWALD HERBERT T 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237	X						

Signatures

Joseph H. Fretz, Attorney-in-Fact

**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 a stock option under the Company's Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors which meets all of the requirements under Rule 16b-3.

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