MDC HOLDINGS 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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **BUCHWALD HERBERT T** Issuer Symbol MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 4350 S. MONACO STREET, #500 07/20/2005 below) (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 DENVER, CO 80237 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Seci	ırities Ac	quired, Disposed	l of, or Benef	ficially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and : (A) or	l of (D) 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)
Common Stock \$.01 par value	07/20/2005		Code V M	Amount 10,000	(D)	Price \$ 23.08	10,000	D	
Common Stock \$.01 par value	07/20/2005		J	10,000	D	\$ 0	10,000	I	Shareholder of S-Corporation (2)
Common Stock \$.01 par value	07/20/2005		S	10,000	D	\$ 87.34 (1)	0	I	Shareholder of S-Corporation (3)

Common

Stock \$17,398 I Member of LLC $\underline{(4)}$ value

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 23.08	07/20/2005		M	10,000	10/28/2002	10/01/2012	Common Stock \$.01 par value	19

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BUCHWALD HERBERT T 4350 S. MONACO STREET, #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) Shares sold at an average sales price of \$87.34 per share. See Table of Transactions attached hereto for details of sales.

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- (2) Shares transferred to an S-Corporation in which the Reporting Person is the sole shareholder.
- (3) Shares owned by an S-Corporation in which the Reporting Person is the sole shareholder.
- (4) Shares owned by a limited liability company in which the Reporting Person is a managing member.
- (5) 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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