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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TOUFF MICHAEL			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
4350 S. MONA	ACO STREE	ET, #500	(Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2005	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DENVER, CO 80237				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	07/15/2005		M	20,000	A	\$ 15.36	105,433	D	
Common Stock \$.01 par value	07/15/2005		S	20,000	D	\$ 87.05 (1)	85,433	D	
Common Stock \$.01 par value							16,522 (2)	I	401(k) Plan
Common Stock \$.01							9,516	I	IRA Rollover

par 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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te	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	\$ 15.36	07/15/2005		M	20,000	12/01/2001	12/01/2005	Common Stock \$.01 par value	27

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TOUFF MICHAEL			Senior				
4350 S. MONACO STREET, #500			Vice				

Signatures

DENVER, CO 80237

Michael Touff 07/15/2005 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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).
- Shares sold at an average sales price of \$87.05 per share pursuant to a single sale order. See Table of Transactions attached hereto for **(1)** details of sales.
- (2) Shares are held in Reporting Person's 401(k) Savings Plan account which changes on a monthly basis.
- Granted on December 1, 2000 under the Company's Employee Equity Incentive Plan. This option vests as to 25% of the shares covered thereby on December 1, 2001 and cumulatively as to an additional 25% on each of December 1, 2002, 2003 and 2004.

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