#### MDC HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

November 15, 2006

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** REECE PARIS G III			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
4350 S. MON 500	NACO STR	EET, SUITE	11/15/2006	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
DENVER, C	O 80237		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative (	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	Beneficially Form: DOwned (D) or Following Indirect Reported (Instr. 4 Transaction(s)	Ownership Form: Direct	rect Beneficial Ownership
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock \$. Par Valu	01 11/15/2006		M	27,526	A	\$ 21.39	280,435	D	
Common Stock \$. Par Valu	01 11/15/2006		S	27,526	D	\$ 53.94 (1)	252,909	D	
Common Stock \$. Par Valu	01						2,898 (2)	I	401(K) Plan

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	i
(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 (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (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 (right to buy)	\$ 21.39	11/15/2006		M	27,526	11/18/2004	11/18/2007	Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	27

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

REECE PARIS G III 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237

EVP, CFO, PrincAcctgOfficer

### **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 price of \$53.94 per share pursuant to a single sale order. See Table of Transactions attached hereto for details of sales.
- (2) Shares are held in Reporting Person's 401(k) Savings Plan account which changes on a monthly basis.
  - Granted on November 18, 2002 under the Company's Employee Equity Incentive Plan. This option vests as to 25% of the shares covered
- (3) thereby on November 18, 2004; 25% of the shares covered thereby on November 18, 2005; and 50% of the shares covered thereby on November 18, 2006

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