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FORM 4

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

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Siegel David

> (First) (Middle)

4350 SOUTH MONACO STREET, SUITE 500

(Street)

Symbol MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

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

DENVER, CO 80237

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities

Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Owned (A)

or

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 4)

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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)	ed 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						
2	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Siegel David 4350 SOUTH 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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