

MDC HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

March 04, 2013

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BLACKFORD DAVID E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**4350 S. MONACO STREET, SUITE
500**

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80237

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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	03/04/2013		M	10,000 A	\$ 34.74 18,550	D	
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	03/04/2013		S	10,000 D	\$ 38.83 8,550	D	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-Statutory Stock Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 34.74	03/04/2013		M	10,000	10/01/2009 10/01/2019	Common Stock \$\$.01 Par Value

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BLACKFORD DAVID E 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237	X

Signatures

David E.
Blackford 03/04/2013

Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$38.44 to \$39.07, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., any security holder of M.D.C. Holdings, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

(2) Represents a stock option under the Company's 2001 Stock Option Plan for Non-Employee Directors which meets all of the requirements under Rule 16b-3.

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