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(Print or Type]	Responses)													
1. Name and A BUCHWAI	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) (1													
4350 S. MC 500	(Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2010						X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)							
	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 R Person														
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - N	on-E	Derivative	Secu	rities A	cquired, Dispose	d of,	or Benef	ïcially	Owned	1
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deem Execution any (Month/D	Date, if	Code Disposed of (D) ear) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 (A) or))	Beneficially I Owned I Following (Reported (Transaction(s) ((Instr. 3 and 4)		nership m: ect (D) ndirect str. 4)	Indir Bene	ficial ership	
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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships								
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
BUCHWALD HERBERT T 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237	Х								
Signatures									
Joseph H. Fretz, Attorney-in-Fact	1	2/20/2010							
**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 owned by a limited liability company in which the Reporting Person is a managing member.

(2) Shares owned by a corporation in which the Reporting Person is the controlling shareholder.

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