MDC HOLDINGS INC

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MANDARICH DAVID D

MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

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

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

4350 S. MONACO STREET, SUITE 05/18/2015

President, COO and Director

500

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

DENVER, CO 80237

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Am Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Sec Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) Disposed of ((Instr. 3, 4, an	D)			
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Statutory Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.45	05/18/2015		A	1,000,000		<u>(1)</u>	05/18/2025	Common Stock \$.01 Par Value

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MANDARICH DAVID D 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237	X		President, COO and Director			

Signatures

David D.

Mandarich 05/20/2015

**Signature of Date

**Signature of
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).

This option was granted May 18, 2015 under the Company's 2011 Equity Incentive Plan. The option will vest as to 33-1/3% of the shares covered thereby on each of May 18, 2018, 2019 and 2020; provided however that all unvested option shares will vest immediately in the

(1) event the closing price of the Company's stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange in any 20 out of 30 consecutive trading days closes at a price equal to or greater than 120% of the closing price on the date of grant. This option was granted at the May 18, 2015 market close price.

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