

MDC PARTNERS INC  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|--|--|---|--|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>Kauffman Scott L<br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><br>C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950 THIRD AVENUE<br>(Street)<br><br>NEW YORK, NY 10022<br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br>04/28/2006 | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA] | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br><br>(Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br><input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br>(give title below)    (specify below) | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

|                                    |  |   |  |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)<br><br>Date Exercisable    Expiration Date | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4)<br><br>Title    Amount or Number of Shares | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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|------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--------|---------|---|---|
| Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup> | 04/28/2007 | 04/28/2016 | Class A<br>Subordinate<br>Voting<br>Shares | 25,000 | \$ 8.95 | D | ^ |
|------------------------------|------------|------------|--|--------|---------|---|---|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Kauffman Scott L<br>C/O MDC PARTNERS INC.<br>950 THIRD AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | ^ X           | ^         | ^       | ^     |

## Signatures

Scott L.  
Kauffman

05/12/2006

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

The Stock Options granted on April 28, 2006 vest over five (5) years from the Grant Date: 20% (5,000 options) on the first anniversary of (1) the Grant Date and an additional 20% on each of the next four (4) succeeding anniversaries of the Grant Date, and expiring ten (10) years from the Grant Date.

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