

MDC HOLDINGS INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MIZEL LARRY A

(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)  
08/31/2005

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)

Chairman of the Board and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 (A) 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					5,251,202	D	
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	08/31/2005		P <sup>(1)</sup>	12,565 A	\$ 76.38 <u>(1)</u> 12,565	I	Indirect Beneficial Ownership <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value					515,009	I	Indirect Beneficial Ownership <u>(2)</u>

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Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	2,845	I	401(k) Plan <u>(3)</u>
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	1,357,064	I	Shares Owned by Reporting Person's Spouse <u>(4)</u>

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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own 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			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MIZEL LARRY A 4350 S. MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER, CO 80237	X	X	Chairman of the Board and CEO	

## Signatures

Paris G. Reece III,  
Attorney-in-Fact

09/09/2005

\_\_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).

Ari Capital Partners, LLLP acquired 12,565 shares of M.D.C. Holdings, Inc. common stock in connection with its redemption of its interest in an exchange fund. The shares were valued at \$76.38 per share for the purpose of determining the number of shares distributable to it in connection with its redemption. Reporting Person is the sole limited partner in Ari Capital Partners, LLLP and the

(1) beneficiary of various trusts which own 50.6885% of the common stock of CVentures, Inc., the general partner of Ari Capital Partners, LLLP. Also, Reporting Person is a director and president of CVentures, Inc. and may be deemed to control the other 49.3115% of the common stock of CVentures, Inc. Deemed profits resulting from the application of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 have been recovered by M.D.C. Holdings, Inc.

Reporting Person may be deemed to be an indirect beneficial owner of these shares because his spouse owns all of the voting units in CLCD LLC, a limited liability company that owns these shares. In addition, he is the beneficiary of various trusts which own 50.6885% of the common stock of CVentures, Inc., a corporation which is the sole manager of CLCD LLC. Also, Reporting Person is a director and president of CVentures, Inc. and may be deemed to control the other 49.3115% of the common stock of CVentures, Inc.

(3) Shares are held in Reporting Person's 401(k) Savings Plan account which changes on a monthly basis.

(4) Shares are owned by the Reporting Person's spouse.

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