#### REECE PARIS G III

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** REECE PARIS G III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MDC HOLDINGS INC [MDC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
							J	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		Earliest Tra	insaction						
3600 S YOSEMITE ST STE 900			(Month/Day/Year) 11/22/2004					Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, CFO & Prin. Acctg Officer			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	any		emed on Date, if /Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
_				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIISU. +)	(Ilisu: 4)	
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	11/22/2004			A	1,950 (1)	A	\$ 0	192,684	D		
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value								2,100 (2)	I	401(K) Savings Plan account	
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 76.94	11/22/2004		A	70,000	11/22/2007	11/22/2014	Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	70

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

irector 10% Owner Officer Other

REECE PARIS G III 3600 S YOSEMITE ST STE 900 DENVER, CO 80237

EVP, CFO & Prin. Acctg Officer

### **Signatures**

Reporting Person

Paris G. Reece
III

\*\*Signature of 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).
- Shares of restricted stock granted November 22, 2004 for no cash consideration pursuant to the Company's 2001 Equity Incentive Plan and a Restricted Stock Agreement. Pursuant to the Restricted Stock Agreement, the restrictions will lapse as to 25% of the shares on November 22, 2005, and cumulatively as to an additional 25% on each of November 22, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (2) Shares are held in Reporting Person's 401(K) Savings Plan account which changes on a monthly basis.
- Granted on November 22, 2004 under the Company's 2001 Equity Incentive Plan. This option vests as to 20% of the shares covered thereby on November 22, 2007; and cumulatively as to an additional 20% on each of November 22, 2008, 2009, 2010 and 2011.

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