PUSTIL STEPHEN Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **PUSTIL STEPHEN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

01/26/2011

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 45

(Street)

(State)

HAZELTON AVENUE

Vice Chairman

Other (specify below)

Beneficial

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(Zip)

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

TORONTO, A6 M5R 2E3

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

> Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Class A **Shares**

(Instr. 3)

153,006 (1) D

Restricted

Stock Units (Class A

01/26/2011

Α

5,000 A \$0

(A)

 $158,006 \frac{(1)}{(2)} \frac{(2)}{D}$

Shares)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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)	Code	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 Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nu Sha
Stock Options	\$ 9.19 (3)					04/29/2002	04/29/2012	Class A Shares	1
Stock Appreciation Rights (4)	\$ 3.72					02/12/2010	02/12/2014	Class A Shares	12
Extraordinary Equity Value Appre. Restricted Stock Awards	<u>(5)</u>	01/26/2011		A	45,000	<u>(5)</u>	12/31/2013	Restricted Stock Units	4;

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
PUSTIL STEPHEN C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 45 HAZELTON AVENUE	X		Vice Chairman			
TORONTO, A6 M5R 2E3						

Signatures

/s/ Stephen
Pustil

**Signature of Reporting Person

O1/27/2011

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) Includes unvested Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) of the Issuer.
- (2) These Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) granted under the Issuer's EVARs program (previously disclosed by the Issuer on Form 8-K dated January 26, 2011) will vest on December 31, 2013 in accordance with the EVAR Grant Agreement.

(3) Canadian dollars.

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- A total of 129,310 Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") were granted February 12, 2009, 33% vested on the first anniversary of the grant date, 33% vest on the second anniversary of the grant date, and 34% vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, and all such SARs expire on February 12, 2014. These SARs may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.
- Extraordinary Equity Value Appreciation Restricted Stock Awards ("EVARs") under the Issuer's EVARs program (previously disclosed by the Issuer on Form 8-K dated January 26, 2011) represent the right to receive Restricted Stock Units on a one-to-one basis upon the Issuer's achievement of stock price targets equal to \$20.00 (15,000 EVARs), \$22.75 (15,000 EVARs) and \$26.25 (15,000 EVARs), as described in greater detail in the EVAR Letter Agreement.

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