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## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Middle)

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Gendel Mitchell Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

(Check all applicable)

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950

(Street)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2011

Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

THIRD AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Gen. Counsel & Corp. Secretary

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecuri	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Class A Shares				rimount	(2)	THE	101,045 (1)	D	
Class A Shares	03/04/2011		F	10,492	D	\$ 17.86	90,553 (1) (2)	D	
Restricted Stock (Class A Shares)	03/07/2011		A	29,660	A	\$ 0	120,213 (1) (3)	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		te	7. Title and A Underlying So (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights (4)	\$ 3.72					02/12/2010	02/12/2014	Class A Shares	125,94
Extraordinary Equity Value Appre. Restricted Stock Awards	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	12/31/2013	Restricted Stock	45,000

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gendel Mitchell C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 950 THIRD AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

Gen. Counsel & Corp. Secretary

## **Signatures**

(5)

/s/ Mitchell
Gendel

\*\*Signature of Date

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).
- (1) Includes shares of unvested Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer.

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- (2) A total of 15,862 shares of Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) granted in 2010 vested on March 4, 2011. The Reporting Person elected to have a total of 10,492 Class A Shares withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding requirements.
- All 29,660 shares of Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer awarded on March 7, 2011 will vest on the third anniversary of issuance, subject to accelerated vesting in 2012 and/or 2013 if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2011 and 2012, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment.
- A total of 170,940 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.
- These Extraordinary Equity Value Appreciation Restricted Stock Awards ("EVARs") granted under the Issuer's EVARs program (previously disclosed by the Issuer on Form 8-K dated January 26, 2011) represent the right to receive shares of Restricted Stock 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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