

MDC PARTNERS INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 950  
THIRD AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

05/12/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

General Counsel & Secretary

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

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock (Class A) <sup>(1)</sup> |                                      |  |                                | (A)   | 25,000  | D  |   |
| Class A Subordinate Voting Shares                                     | 05/12/2006                           |  | P                              | 3,000 A   | \$ 9.49 28,000  | 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. 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------------------|
| Stock Appreciation Rights <sup>(2)</sup>   | \$ 10.05   |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable 11/17/2005<br>Expiration Date 11/17/2008 | Class A Subordinate Voting Shares                             | 50,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships                          |
|--|--|
|  | Director   10% Owner   Officer   Other |
| Gendel Mitchell<br>C/O MDC PARTNERS INC.<br>950 THIRD AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | General Counsel & Secretary            |

## Signatures

Mitchell Gendel                      05/15/2006

\*\*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).

(1) A portion of the Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer may vest in each of 22007, 2008 and / or 2009 if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2006 - 2008, and is dependent upon continued employment. Such financial targets are set forth in a "Financial Performance-Based Restricted Stock Agreement", a form of which was filed by the Issuer as an exhibit to a Form 8-K filed with the SEC on March 2, 2006.

(2) Stock Appreciation Rights (previously granted on November 17, 2004) vest 1/3 on each anniversary of the grant date, expire four (4) years from the grant date, and may be settled in cash or stock at the option of the Issuer.

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