

MDC PARTNERS 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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DICKSON ROBERT E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O MDC PARTNERS, 45
 HAZELTON AVENUE**

(Street)

TORONTO, A6 M5R 2E3

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/26/2008

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)
 Managing Director

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Class A Shares | | | | (A) | 153,081 ⁽¹⁾ | D | |
| Restricted Stock Units ⁽²⁾ | 02/26/2008 | | A | 44,757 A | \$ 0 197,838 ⁽¹⁾ | 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Options ⁽³⁾ | \$ 8.4 ⁽⁴⁾ | | | | | 04/10/2002 04/10/2012 | Class A Shares | 57,150 |
| Stock Appreciation Rights ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 8.95 | | | | | 04/28/2007 04/28/2016 | Class A Shares | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| DICKSON ROBERT E C/O MDC PARTNERS 45 HAZELTON AVENUE TORONTO, A6 M5R 2E3 | | | Managing Director | |

Signatures

/s/ Robert
Dickson 02/26/2008

**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) Includes 98,334 unvested Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) of the Issuer, a portion of which are subject to achievement by the Issuer of financial performance targets.
All 44,757 of the Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) of the Issuer awarded on February 26, 2008 will vest in February 2011, subject to accelerated vesting in 2009 and / or 2010, if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2009 and 2010, subject to continued employment.
- (2) to accelerated vesting in 2009 and / or 2010, if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2009 and 2010, subject to continued employment.
- (3) Stock Options (previously granted on April 10, 2002) expire 10 years from the grant date.

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(4) Canadian dollars.

(5) SAR's granted April 28, 2006 vest 50% on the first anniversary of the grant date, and 50% on the second anniversary of the grant date, expiring ten (10) years from the grant date, and may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.

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