MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Ad CHRISTOPH M	^	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC [MDU]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC., P. O. BOX 5650		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
BISMARCK	(Street)	5-5650	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		

		Table 1 - Ive	on-Deriva	iive Secui	itics A	cquireu, Di	sposed of, of Def	iclicially Ow	iicu
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi owr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of	` '	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	Ownership of Form: EDirect (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	05/31/2005		M	6,740	A	\$ 14.0833	40,049	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	2,300	D	\$ 28.66	37,749	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2005		S	4,440	D	\$ 28.68	33,309	D	
Common Stock - (401-k)							16,748.272	I	By Trustee
Common Stock - (ESOP)							5,735.108	I	By Trustee
Common							1,530	I	By

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Stock-Restricted Trustee Stock

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 on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Empl.Stock Opt.(Right to Buy)	\$ 19.8267						02/12/2004	02/15/2011	Common Stock	19,500
Empl.Stock Opt.(Right to Buy)	\$ 14.0833	05/31/2005		M		6,740	02/15/2001	02/10/2008	Common Stock	6,740

Relationships

Vice

President -

Corporate Com

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			_		
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

CHRISTOPHERSON CATHLEEN M MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

Signatures

Cathleen M Christopherson 06/01/2005

**Signature of Reporting
Person

Date

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