MDC HOLDINGS INC Form SC 13G January 26, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
()

MDC HOLDINGS INC
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

552676108
(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2005
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[X] Rule 13d-1(b)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 552676108

(1) Names of Reporting Persons.

I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA., 943112180

- (2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a $Group^*$
- (a) / /
- (b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization U.S.A.

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned	(5) Sole Voting Power		
oy Each Reporting Person With			
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 2,126,499		
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power		
(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by 2,126,499	Each Reporting Person		
(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in F	Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares*		
(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount	in Row (9)		
(12) Type of Reporting Person* BK			
CUSIP No. 552676108			
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(12) Type of F	Reporting Person*		
CUSIP No.	552676108		
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BARCLA	YS GLOBAL INVESTORS,	LTD	
(2) Check the (a) // (b) /X/	appropriate box if a	member of a Gro	up*
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Number of Shares Beneficially Owned		(5	Sole Voting Power 129,290
by Each Reporting Person With	(6	Shared Voting Power	
		(7	Sole Dispositive Power
		(8)) Shared Dispositive Power
(9) Aggregate 134,584			
(10) Check Box	if the Aggregate Am	ount in Row (9)	Excludes Certain Shares*
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(12) Type of F	Reporting Person*		
CUSIP No.	552676108		
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TEM 1(B).		ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 4350 S MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER CO 80237		
TTEM 2(A).	NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING BARCLAYS GLOBAL 1			
	45 Fremont Street San Franc	ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street San Francisco, CA 94105		
	CITIZENSHIP U.S.A			
TEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURIT	TES		
TEM 2(E).	CUSIP NUMBER 552676108			
ITEM 3.	IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILE	D PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR		

13D-2(B), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A

- (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 780).
- (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b)(1)(ii)(E).
- (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F).
- (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
- (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
- (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J)
- ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER MDC HOLDINGS INC

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES 4350 S MONACO STREET SUITE 500 DENVER CO 80237

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING

BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE 45 Fremont Street

San Francisco, CA 94105

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP U.S.A

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock

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Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor

1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku Tokyo 150-0012 Japan

ITEM 2(C).	CITIZENSHIP Japan
ITEM 2(D).	TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common Stock
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ITEM 4. OWN	ERSHIP
	following information regarding the aggregate number and of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.
(a) Amount	Beneficially Owned: 2,767,606
(b) Percen	t of Class: 6.21%
(c) Number	of shares as to which such person has: sole power to vote or to direct the vote 2,553,285
(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote
(ii	i) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 2,767,606
(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of -
	ERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS tement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof

the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. //

- ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

 The shares reported are held by the company in trust accounts for the
 economic benefit of the beneficiaries of those accounts. See also

 Items 2(a) above.
- ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY

 Not applicable
- ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP Not applicable
- ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP Not applicable

ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1 (b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

 January 31	., 2006	
Date		
 Signature		
Mei Lau Financial	Reporting	Manager
 Name/Title	·	