

OLSON JOHN L
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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 *
OLSON JOHN L

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)
05/18/2009

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

(Street)

BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/18/2009		A	4,050 A \$ 17.147	104,736	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)

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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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>			Common Stock	23,329.751
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.6112					05/12/2000		05/13/2010		Common Stock	5,062
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.1334					05/17/2001		05/17/2011		Common Stock	6,750
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.0289					05/16/2002		05/16/2012		Common Stock	6,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
OLSON JOHN L MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650	X			

Signatures

/s/ Debra S. Anderson, Power of Attorney 05/20/2009

**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) 1 for 1
- (2) Units are to be settled in cash after reporting person's retirement.

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