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FORM 4

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1(b).

Common

Stock

05/18/2009

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading OLSON JOHN L Issuer Symbol MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC (Check all applicable) [MDU] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) MDU RESOURCES GROUP, 05/18/2009 INC., P. O. BOX 5650 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) **Following** (Instr. 4)

(A)

Price

17.147

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Reported

104,736

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 4)

D

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Code V Amount (D)

A

4,050

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and 2. Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)					(2)	(2)	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					
FS	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
OLSON JOHN L MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650	X					
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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
- (2) Units are to be settled in cash after reporting person's retirement.

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