

MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIESFiled pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**MDU RESOURCES GROUP,
INC., P. O. BOX 5650**

(Street)

BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC
[MDU]**3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
05/19/20054. 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)
SVP-Gov.& PA6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person**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 (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/19/2005		M	9,000 A \$ 14.0833	12,553	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2005		S	8,000 D \$ 27.67	4,553	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2005		S	1,000 D \$ 27.72	3,553	D	
Common Stock - (401-k)					8,192.69	I	By Trustee
Common Stock - (ESOP)					590.4732	I	By Trustee
Common					2,468	I	By

Stock-Restricted
Stock

Trustee

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Empl. Stock Opt.(Right to Buy)	\$ 14.0833	05/19/2005		M	9,000	02/10/2007 ⁽¹⁾ 02/10/2008	Common Stock	9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOOD ROBERT E MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650			SVP-Gov.& PA	

Signatures

Robert E Wood 05/20/2005

**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) These options were originally exercisable 2/10/07, but vesting was accelerated to 2/15/01 upon attainment of certain performance goals.

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