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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Requiring Statement MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC [MDU] Stumpf John P (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) MDU RESOURCES GROUP, (Check all applicable) INC., P. O. BOX 5650 (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting VP - Strategic Planning Person BISMARCK, Â NDÂ 58606-5650 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â D Common Stock 2,064.561 Common Stock - (401-k) I By Trustee 8,330.787 Common Stock 869.968 I Custodian Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

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

1. Title of Derivative 2. Date Exercisable and Security **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying

4. Conversion Ownership

5.

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

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(Instr. 4)			Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	02/15/2010(1)	02/15/2011	Common Stock	5,442	\$ 16.1956	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
• 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Stumpf John P MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58606-5650	Â	Â	VP - Strategic Planning	Â	

Signatures

John P. Stumpf	12/05/2006		
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date		

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 will vest on 2/15/2010, but vesting of some or all of these 5,442 may be accelerated depending on attainnment of certain perforamnce goals.

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