PUSTIL STEPHEN Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **PUSTIL STEPHEN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]

(Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2012

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Check all applicable)

below)

Other (specify below)

Vice Chairman

C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 45 HAZELTON AVENUE

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

TORONTO, A6 M5R 2E3

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Amount (D) Price

(A)

 $205,622 \frac{(1)}{2}$ D

Class A Shares

Restricted

02/14/2012

A 20,423 A

\$0

226,045 (1) (2) D

Stock Units (Class A

Shares)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Ye)	e	7. Title and A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options	\$ 9.19 (3)					04/29/2002	04/29/2012	Class A Shares	1,905
Stock Appreciation Rights (4)	\$ 3.72					02/12/2010	02/12/2014	Class A Shares	129,31
Extraordinary Equity Value Appre. Restricted Stock Awards	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	12/31/2013	Restricted Stock Units	45,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
PUSTIL STEPHEN C/O MDC PARTNERS INC. 45 HAZELTON AVENUE TORONTO A6 M5R 2E3	X		Vice Chairman				

Signatures

/s/ Stephen
Pustil

**Signature of Reporting Person

O2/15/2012

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) Includes unvested Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) of the Issuer.

(2)

(5)

Reporting Owners 2

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All 20,423 Restricted Stock Units (Class A Shares) of the Issuer awarded on February 14, 2012 will vest on the third anniversary of issuance, subject to accelerated vesting in 2013 and/or 2014 if the Issuer achieves specified financial performance targets in 2012 and 2013, subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment.

- (3) Canadian dollars.
- (4) A total of 129,310 Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") were granted February 12, 2009, all of which are vested as of January 20, 2012, and all such SARs expire on February 12, 2014. These SARs may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.
- Extraordinary Equity Value Appreciation Restricted Stock Awards ("EVARs") under the Issuer's EVARs program (previously disclosed by the Issuer on Form 8-K dated January 26, 2011) represent the right to receive Restricted Stock Units on a one-to-one basis upon the Issuer's achievement of stock price targets equal to \$20.00 (15,000 EVARs), \$22.75 (15,000 EVARs) and \$26.25 (15,000 EVARs), as described in greater detail in the EVAR Letter Agreement.

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