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| (Print or Type Responses)   |   |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person<br>Sabatino Michael   | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>MDC PARTNERS INC [MDCA]  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction   | (Check all applicable)   |
| C/O MDC PARTNERS INC., 745<br>FIFTH AVENUE  | (Month/Day/Year)<br>08/03/2011  | Director 10% Owner<br>X Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below)<br>SVP & Chief Accounting Officer  |
| (Street)  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  |
| NEW YORK, NY 10151  |   | Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person  |
| (City) (State) (Zip)  | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A   | cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)2A. De<br>Execut<br>any<br>(Month  | 1   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct7. Nature of<br>IndirectBeneficially<br>Owned(D) orBeneficialOwnedIndirect (I)OwnershipFollowing<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)(Instr. 4) |
| Class A<br>Shares   |   | 121,501 <u>(1)</u> D   |
| Class A<br>Shares 08/03/2011  | P 350 A <sup>\$</sup><br>18.6   | 121,851 (1) (2) 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                   | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.<br>orNumber<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | ;                   |                    | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                            |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                | (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>Number<br>Shares |
| Stock<br>Appreciation<br>Rights $(3)$                                 | \$ 3.72   |   |   |                                       |   | 02/12/2010          | 02/12/2014         | Class A<br>Shares   | 128,20                     |
| Extraordinary<br>Equity Value<br>Appre.<br>Restricted<br>Stock Awards | <u>(4)</u>  |   |   |                                       |   | <u>(4)</u>          | 12/31/2013         | Restricted<br>Stock   | 45,000                     |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Sabatino Michael<br>C/O MDC PARTNERS INC.<br>745 FIFTH AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10151 |               |           | SVP & Chief Accounting Officer |       |
| Signatures  |               |           |                                |       |

/s/ Michael 08/03/2011 Sabatino

\*\*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) Includes shares of unvested Restricted Stock (Class A Shares) of the Issuer.
- (2) Represents open market purchases.
- Stock Appreciation Rights ("SARs") granted February 12, 2009, vested 33% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 33% vest on the (3) second anniversary of the grant date, and 34% vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, and all expire on February 12, 2014. These SARs may be settled in cash or stock, at the discretion of the Issuer.

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These Extraordinary Equity Value Appreciation Restricted Stock Awards ("EVARs") granted under the Issuer's EVARs program

(4) (previously disclosed by the Issuer on Form 8-K dated January 26, 2011) represent the right to receive shares of Restricted Stock 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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