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May 19, 2005

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15 (d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 19, 2005 (May 5, 2005)

MDU Resources Group, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-3480 41-0423660 Delaware (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

> Schuchart Building 918 East Divide Avenue P.O. Box 5650 Bismarck, North Dakota 58506-5650 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (701) 222-7900

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

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In April 2005, Fidelity Exploration & Production Company, an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of MDU Resources Group, Inc. (MDU), announced that it had entered into Purchase and Sale Agreements relating to the acquisition of certain natural gas and oil producing properties in south Texas. The acquisition was completed on May 5, 2005. For additional information regarding this acquisition, reference is made to the Current Reports on Form 8-K of MDU filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 25, 2005 and April 29, 2005.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC.

Date May 19, 2005

BY /s/ Paul K. Sandness
Paul K. Sandness
General Counsel and Secretary