JOHNSON DENNIS W

Form 4

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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 * JOHNSON DENNIS W

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC

(Check all applicable)

[MDU]

(Last)

(City)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

(Middle) MDU RESOURCES GROUP,

(Zip)

12/30/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

INC., P. O. BOX 5650

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

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

BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

(State)

		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Beneficiary Owned								
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	Form: Direct		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A)		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/30/2005		A	1,770	A	\$ 32.859	22,902.836	D		
Common Stock							3,040	I	By wife	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amoun	t of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underly	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
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	Security				Acquired						Follo
	•				(A) or						Repo
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									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		Or Number		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Numb of	Number		
				C + V	(A) (D)						
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON DENNIS W MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC. P. O. BOX 5650 BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

X

Signatures

Debra S. Anderson, Power of Attorney

01/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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