EVERIST THOMAS S

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **EVERIST THOMAS S**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC [MDU]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(City)

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/09/2006

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC., P. O. BOX 5650

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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BISMARCK, ND 58506-5650

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(4.5.1.7.)
Common Stock							3,825	D	
Common Stock	02/09/2006		S	5,000	D	\$ 35.28	2,416,800	I	By Corporation
Common Stock	02/09/2006		S	15,700	D	\$ 35.32	2,401,100	I	By Corporation
Common Stock	02/09/2006		S	1,500	D	\$ 35.33	2,399,600	I	By Corporation
Common Stock	02/09/2006		S	1,600	D	\$ 35.34	2,398,000	I	By Corporation

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Common Stock	02/09/2006	S	1,400	D	\$ 35.35	2,396,600	I	By Corporation
Common Stock	02/09/2006	S	3,300	D	\$ 35.38	2,393,300	I	By Corporation
Common Stock	02/09/2006	S	100	D	\$ 35.39	2,393,200	I	By Corporation

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. DenNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	16,116.533
Stock Option	\$ 14.4167					05/12/2000	05/13/2010	Common Stock	3,375
Stock Option	\$ 15.3889					06/03/1998	06/04/2008	Common Stock	3,375
Stock Option	\$ 15.5417					06/03/1999	06/04/2009	Common Stock	3,375
Stock Option	\$ 19.5433					05/16/2002	05/16/2012	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Option	\$ 25.7					05/17/2001	05/17/2011	Common Stock	4,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Reporting Owners

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P. O. BOX 5650
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Signatures

Debra S. Anderson, Power of Attorney 02/10/2006

**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) Units are to be settled in cash after reporting person's retirement.

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