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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): March 31, 2004

M.D.C. Holdings, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-8951	84-0622967
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission file number)	(I.R.S. employer identification no.)
3600 S	outh Yosemite Street, Suite 900, Denver, Colo	orado 80237
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)		
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (303)773-1100		
	Not Applicable	
(Form	ner name or former address, if changed since la	ast report)

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Exhibit 99.1	Press Release dated March 31, 2004.

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ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On March 31, 2004, M.D.C. Holdings, Inc. issued a press release reporting that they expect their 2004 first quarter earnings per share to exceed the analyst consensus estimate for the period of \$1.44. In addition, an earnings release conference call and webcast was announced for April 13, 2004. A copy of this press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Limitation on Incorporation by Reference. The information being furnished shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

SIGNATURES

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 thereunto duly authorized.

M.D.C. HOLDINGS, INC.

Dated: April 1, 2004

By: /s/ Joseph H. Fretz

Joseph H. Fretz

Secretary and Corporate Counsel

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