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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement MCDERMOTT INTERNATIONAL INC [MDR] Houser Daniel M (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2010 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 757 N. ELDRIDGE PARKWAY (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person HOUSTON, TXÂ 77079 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Senior VP, Operations Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock 52,125.648 Common Stock 5,350 I 401K Plan (1) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
			Derivative	Security:	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (right to buy)	(2)	03/18/2014	Common Stock	33,027	\$ 1.55	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	(2)	05/12/2015	Common Stock	29,073	\$ 3.47	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	03/03/2011	03/03/2011	Common Stock	11,319	\$ 0	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	(3)	03/05/2016	Common Stock	17,473	\$ 5.64	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	8,207	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	03/05/2012	03/05/2012	Common Stock	7,123	\$ 0	D	Â
Stock Options (right to buy)	(5)	03/04/2017	Common Stock	13,275	\$ 13.09	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	(6)	Common Stock	8,954	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Houser Daniel M 757 N. ELDRIDGE PARKWAY HOUSTON. TX 77079	Â	Â	Senior VP, Operations	Â	

Signatures

Liane K. Hinrichs, by power of attorney 12/20/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Date

- (1) Based upon units held in 401K Plan and the fair market value of Common Stock as of December 13, 2010.
- (2) 100% of the options are vested.
- (3) The options are exercisable in three equal annual installments. The first installment became exercisable on March 5, 2010, and the next two installments become exercisable on March 5, 2011 and March 5, 2012.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments. The first installment vested on March 5, 2010, and the next two installments vest on March 5, 2011 and March 5, 2012.
- (5) The options are exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning March 4, 2011.

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(6) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 4, 2011.

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