MDC HOLDINGS INC Form SC 13G/A January 15, 2004

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

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 23)

M.D.C. Holdings, Inc.
----(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value Per Share
----(Title of Class of Securities)

552676 10 8 -----(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2003

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

[] Rule 13d-1(b)
[] Rule 13d-1(c)
[X] Rule 13d-1(d)

The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON (ENTITIES ONLY)

Larry A. Mizel 2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP Not Applicable (a) [] ______ 3. SEC USE ONLY 4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION United States of America 5. NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH SOLE VOTING POWER 4,126,583 shares ______ 6. WITH SHARED VOTING POWER 1,506,696 shares 7. WITH SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 4,126,583 shares 8. WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 1,506,696 shares 9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 5,633,279 shares ______ 10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW 9 EXCLUDES CERTAIN ______ 11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9 12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON ______ SCHEDULE 13G CUSIP No. 552676108 Page 3 of 5 Pages Name of Issuer: Item 1(a) M.D.C. Holdings, Inc. Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: _____ 3600 South Yosemite Street, Suite 900 Denver, Colorado 80237 Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing: Larry A. Mizel Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office, or, if None, Residence: ______ 3600 South Yosemite Street, Suite 900 Denver, Colorado 80237

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

United States of America

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

common stock, \$.01 par value per share

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Item 3 Not Applicable.

Item 4(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

5,633,279 shares

Item 4(b) Percent of Class:

18.83 %

Item 4(c) Number of Shares as to Which Such Person Has:

(i) Sole power to vote or direct the vote - 4,126,583 shares which includes 3,624,062 shares owned directly, 500,637 shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options (exercisable within 60 days of December 31, 2003) granted to the reporting person under the Issuer's stock option plans and 1,884 shares held in account for the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan.

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(ii) Shared power to vote or direct the vote - 1,506,696 shares

This amount includes 995,820 shares owned by the reporting person's spouse, and 70,876 shares that the reporting person may be deemed to beneficially own because the voting of these 70,876 shares is controlled by CVentures, Inc., a corporation whose outstanding stock is owned by the Reporting Person and certain trusts of which the reporting person is a beneficiary. The reporting person also is a director and president of CVentures, Inc.

This amount also includes 440,000 shares that the reporting person may be deemed to beneficially own because the reporting person owns all of the voting units in CLCD LLC, a limited liability company that owns these 440,000 shares. Also, the sole manager of CLCD LLC is CVentures, Inc., a corporation whose outstanding stock is owned by the Reporting Person and certain trusts of which the reporting person is a beneficiary. The reporting person also is a director and president of CVentures, Inc.

(iii) Sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of -4,126,583 shares, which includes 3,624,062 shares owned directly by the reporting person, 500,637 shares issuable upon the exercise of stock options

(exercisable within 60 days of December 31, 2003) granted to the reporting person under the Issuer's stock option plans and 1,884 shares held in account for the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan.

(iv) Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of -1,506,696 shares, which includes the shares described in response to Item 4 (c) (ii) above.

Item 5
Ownership of 5% or Less of a Class:

Not Applicable.

Item 6 Ownership of More than 5% on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable.

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Item 7 & Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which \\ \end{tabular}$

Acquired the Securities Being Reported by the Parent Holding

Company or Control Person:

Not Applicable.

Item 8
Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable.

Not Applicable.

Item 10 Certification:

Not Applicable.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: January 13, 2004 /s/ Larry A. Mizel

Reporting Ownership Larry A. Mizel

As of December 31,

2003