

MDU RESOURCES GROUP INC  
Form 8-K  
October 20, 2005

**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) October 20, 2005**

**MDU Resources Group, Inc.**  
**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

<b>Delaware</b> <b>(State or other jurisdiction of</b> <b>incorporation)</b>	<b>1-3480</b> <b>(Commission File Number)</b>	<b>41-0423660</b> <b>(I.R.S. Employer</b> <b>Identification No.)</b>
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**Schuchart Building**  
**918 East Divide Avenue**  
**P.O. Box 5650**  
**Bismarck, North Dakota 58506-5650**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (701) 222-7900**

**Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:**

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)**
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)**
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))**
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))**



**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition and  
Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On October 20, 2005, MDU Resources Group, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing third quarter 2005 earnings. A copy of the press release, which the Company is furnishing to the Securities and Exchange Commission, is attached as Exhibit 99 and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

99	Press Release issued October 20, 2005, regarding earnings for the third quarter.
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**SIGNATURE**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC.

Date October 20, 2005

By /s/ Warren L. Robinson  
Warren L. Robinson  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

Exhibit Number

Description of Exhibit

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