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### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres <u>NEWLIN ST</u>	ss of Reporting Perso EPHEN D	n*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [ BKH ]		tionship of Reporting Perso : all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) PO BOX 1400			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street)	SD	577011400	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repor		
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#### 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. Transa Code ( 8)	ction	4. Securities Acquir Disposed Of (D) (Ins 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D)	Derivative (Month/Day/Year) eccurities coquired A) or Disposed f (D) instr. 3, 4		te Amount of ear) Securities		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock Unit	\$0.00 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/30/2004		A		45		(2)	(3)	Common Stock	0.00	\$27.78	343.76	Ι	By Trust

Explanation of Responses:

1. 1 for 1 Conversion Ratio

2. Derivative Security is exercisable upon retirement under terms of the agreement

3. Derivative Security expires upon retirement under terms of the agreement

# By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

10/01/2004

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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