FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HOWARD JOHN R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [ BKH ]									tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director			ner	
(Last)	`	-irst)	(Middle)		3. Date 02/26/	of Earliest 2010	Transa	action (Mon	ith/Da	ay/Year)		Officer ( below)	(give title		Other (specifical of the other	pecify		
(Street)				4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Inc	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
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(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)															
		T	able I - Non-	Derivat	tive S	ecuritie	s Acc	quired, I	Disp	osed o	of, or Be	neficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Transaction D		4. Secur Dispose	1. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	ly (D)		Direct I Indirect E str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	Price	Transactio				msu. 4)	
Common	ommon Stock											16,86	i4.122		D			
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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/Yea	Code	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		(A)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	mount or (Inst		ion(s)			
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	02/26/2010		A		448.5109		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	448.5109	\$27.87	16,747.5	5716	I	by Trust	
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	03/01/2010		A		214.7125		(2)		(3)	Common	214.7125	\$28.08	16,962.	284	I	by Trust	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

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

#### Remarks:

Roxann R. Basham, by power of 03/02/2010 attorney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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