FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* HOWARD JOHN R					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]							(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) POBOX 1400				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2009								Officer (below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) RAPID CITY SD 57709-1400		·	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(5	State)	(Zip)														
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date					action 2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.			5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned For Reported	Form: ly (D) or		Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code V Amount (A) or (D)				Price	Transaction (Instr. 3 ar	tion(s)			(111501.4)			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
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	nsaction de (Instr. Securities Acquired or Dispos		Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Securities Underlyin 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)	(D)	Date Exercisabl		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	11/30/2009		A		530.3352		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	530.3352	\$23.57	16,059.7	156	I	by Trust
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	12/01/2009		A		239.345		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	239.345	\$23.82	16,299.0	606	I	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.

Lorna Zacher, as Power of

Attorney

12/02/2009

** 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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