FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Vering John B</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]								elationship o ck all applica Director	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer ble) 10% Owner				
(Last) PO BOX	st) (First) (Middle) BOX 1400					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2006								Officer (below)	(give title		Other (specification)	pecify	
(Street) RAPID CITY SD 57709 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Deriva						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day					saction	ion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities		s Acquired (A) or f (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/01/2					1/2006	5			I		33.159	A	\$35.183	3 2,481	.7995]	D		
Common Stock 09/01/2						5			I		4.208	A	\$35.183	3 2,486.0075]	D		
			Table II								oosed of, convertib			Owned					
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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				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 derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported	ly G	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transactio (Instr. 4)	(3)			
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	08/31/2006			A		201.0916		(2	()	(3)	Common Stock	0	\$34.81	987.376	55	I	By Trust	
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	09/01/2006			A		9.261		(2)	(3)	Common	0	\$35.1833	996.637	5	I	By trust	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 1 for 1 Conversion Ratio
- ${\it 2. \ Derivative \ Security \ is \ exercisable \ upon \ retirement \ under \ terms \ of \ the \ agreement}$
- 3. Derivative Security expires upon retirement under terms of the agreement $% \left(1\right) =\left(1\right) \left(1\right$

Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney of John B. Vering

09/05/2006

** 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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