FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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WHITE KYLE D	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/28/2004		3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [ BKH ]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) PO BOX 1400			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
			X Officer (give title below)	Other (spec		ndividual or Joint licable Line)	t/Group Filing (Check
(Street) RAPID CITY SD 577091400			VP-Corporate A	ffairs	2		y One Reporting Person y More than One erson
(City) (State) (Zip)							
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)  4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock			8,566	D	D		
Common Stock			90	I	By S	Spouse	
Common Stock - 401K Plan			1,398	I	By 4	101(k)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Securit	rity (Instr. 4) Conve		Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option (Right to Buy)	12/09/1998	12/09/2007	Common Stock	750	22.5	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	12/09/1999	12/09/2007	Common Stock	750	22.5	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	12/09/2000	12/09/2007	Common Stock	750	22.5	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/21/1999	04/21/2008	Common Stock	2,500	22	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/21/2000	04/21/2008	Common Stock	2,500	22	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/21/2001	04/21/2008	Common Stock	2,500	22	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	07/20/2000	07/20/2009	Common Stock	2,666	24.06	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	07/20/2001	07/20/2009	Common Stock	2,667	24.06	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	07/20/2002	07/20/2009	Common Stock	2,667	24.06	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/25/2001	04/25/2010	Common Stock	10,000	21.88	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/25/2002	04/25/2010	Common Stock	10,000	21.88	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/25/2003	04/25/2010	Common Stock	10,000	21.88	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/23/2003	04/23/2012	Common Stock	1,071	35.1	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/23/2004	04/23/2012	Common Stock	1,072	35.1	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	04/23/2005	04/23/2012	Common Stock	1,072	35.1	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	05/15/2004	05/15/2013	Common Stock	1,164	28.09	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	05/15/2005	05/15/2013	Common Stock	1,164	28.09	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	05/15/2006	05/15/2013	Common Stock	1,165	28.09	D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

/s/ White, Kyle

07/30/2004

\*\* 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 5 (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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