FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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					or Sec	ction 30(h)	of the i	Ínvestmen	t Con	npany Act	of 19	40							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
HOWARD JOHN R													X	Director			10% Ow	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) PO BOX 1400				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2012									Officer (g below)	give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Ind	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) RAPID CITY SD 57709													Line)	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(\$	State)	(Zip)																
		T	able I - Nor	n-Deriva	ative S	ecuritie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	osed o	of, o	r Bene	ficially	Owned					
Date				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Securities Beneficial Owned Fo		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transactio (Instr. 3 an				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock									16,864.122		4.122		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 Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			d 7. Title and Amo Securities Under Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported	ve es ally eg d	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
								Date	E	xpiration			mount or umber of		Transaction(s (Instr. 4)				

(3)

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Stock

Common

Stock

(2)

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Explanation of Responses:

(1)

(1)

1 1 for 1 Conversion Ratio

Phantom

Stock Unit

Phantom

Stock Unit

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

05/31/2012

06/01/2012

Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

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265.0689

\$32.18

\$31.94

22,881.8956

23,146.9645

by Trust

by Trust

** 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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