FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MATTERN JAMES M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]									elationshi ck all app Dired	olicable)	ing Pe	erson(s) to I	
(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2006									Offic belov	er (give title w) VP - Admini		Other (specify below)	
(Street) RAPID CITY SD 577091400 (City) (State) (Zip)				100	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	f, or E	Benefic	ially	/ Owne	ed			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Exe if ar	A. Deemed xecution Date, any Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			and Securities Beneficially Owned Follo Reported		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) o (D)	r Price			tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02/01/20					2006)06			A		368	A	\$35	.83	33 17,569.131			D	
Common Stock																30		I	By Immediate Family
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I. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution if any	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) Co. 8)			5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instrand 5	6. Date Expirati (Month)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		De Se (In	Price of Privative Icurity Str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

02/03/2006

** 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).
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