FORM 4

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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]									k all app	,	,	o Issuer % Owner
(Last) PO BOX	ast) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/06/2005									Offic below	er (give title w)		ner (specify ow)	
(Street) RAPID C	RAPID CITY SD 577011400			4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Ind Line)	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
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	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																	
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Explanation of Responses:

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

07/07/2005

** 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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