FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PECHOTA GARY L					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]								k all applica	ionship of Reporting F all applicable) Director		Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last)	`	First)	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2008								Officer (below)	(give title		Other (specify below)	
(Street) RAPID (D State)	57709 (Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Indi Line) X	Form file	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable on filed by One Reporting Person on filed by More than One Reporting on				
		Ta	able I - Non	-Derivat	tive S	Securitie	s Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficially	Owned				
Date			. Transactio ate Month/Day/	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a)		d (A) or r. 3, 4 and 5)	r 5. Amoun and 5) Securities Beneficia Owned Fo		Form:	Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
			Code			v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)		'				
Common Stock 09/02/			09/02/20	008 I 3.592 A \$33.8777 4,0		4,051	051.3096		D								
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																
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/Ye	Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) 7. Title and Am Securities Und Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		Underlying Security	rlying Derivative		r of ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Date Title Shares Transaction (Instr. 4)		JII(S)											
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	08/29/2008		A		369.7131		(2)		(3)	Common Stock	369.7131	\$33.81	1,499.67	702	I	by Trust
Phantom Stock Unit	(1)	09/02/2008		A		15.4935		(2)		(3)	Common	15.4935	\$33.8777	1,515.16	37	I	by Trust

Explanation of Responses:

- 1 1 for 1 Conversion Ratio
- 2. Derivative Security is exercisable upon retirement under terms of the agreement.
- 3. Derivative Security expires upon retirement under terms of the agreement.

By: Roxann R. Basham For: 09/03/2008
Gary L. Pechota

** 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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