
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 11, 2015

Commission
File Number

Registrant; State of Incorporation
Address; and Telephone Number

I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.

001-31303

BLACK HILLS CORPORATION
(A South Dakota Corporation)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On August 11, 2015, Mark A. Schober accepted the Board of Directors appointment to serve as a Director effective September 1, 2015. He was appointed as a Class I Director whose term will expire at the 2016 Annual Meeting of Shareholders. Mr. Schober will serve on the Audit Committee.

The press release is attached as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99 Press release dated August 11, 2015.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BLACK HILLS CORPORATION, Registrant

By: /s/ Steven J. Helmers

Steven J. Helmers
Senior Vice President
and General Counsel

Date: August 11, 2015



Black Hills Corp. Names Mark A. Schober to Board of Directors

RAPID CITY, S.D. – Aug. 11, 2015 – Black Hills Corp. (NYSE: BKH) today announced that Mark A. Schober has been appointed to its board of directors, effective September 1, 2015, and will serve on the board’s audit committee.

David R. Emery, chairman, president and CEO of Black Hills said, “We welcome Mark to the board. His experience, knowledge, and skills acquired as a chief financial officer of a public utility company will add significant value to the board.”

Schober most recently served as senior vice president and chief financial officer for ALLETTE, Inc. from 2006 until his retirement in 2014. Mark has more than 37 years of experience in various finance and accounting positions in the utility industry. Schober earned a bachelor of accounting degree and an MBA from the University of Minnesota-Duluth and is a certified public accountant.

Black Hills Corporation

Black Hills Corp. (NYSE: BKH) is a growth-oriented, vertically-integrated energy company with a tradition of improving life with energy and a vision to be the energy partner of choice. Based in Rapid City, S.D., the company serves 792,000 natural gas and electric utility customers in Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wyoming. The company also generates wholesale electricity and produces natural gas, oil and coal. Black Hills Corp.’s more than 2,000 employees form partnerships and produce positive results for our customers, communities and shareholders. More information is available at www.blackhillscorp.com.

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