

BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
THIES MARK T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
PO BOX 1400

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/02/2005

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ 10% Owner
_____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President & CFO

RAPID CITY, SD 577091400

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	06/02/2005		M	2,500 A \$ 19.38	27,172.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005		M	2,500 A \$ 19.38	29,672.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005		M	2,500 A \$ 19.38	32,172.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005		M	2,500 A \$ 22	34,672.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005		M	2,500 A \$ 22	37,172.41	D	

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Common Stock	06/02/2005	M	2,500	A	\$ 22	39,672.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005	M	5,000	A	\$ 21.88	44,672.41	D	
Common Stock	06/02/2005	S	20,000	D	\$ 37.17	24,672.41	D	
Common Stock						625	I	By Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	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 Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.38	06/02/2005		M	2,500	07/21/1998 07/21/2007	Common Stock	2,500
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.38	06/02/2005		M	2,500	07/21/1999 07/21/2007	Common Stock	2,500
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.38	06/02/2005		M	2,500	07/21/2000 07/21/2007	Common Stock	2,500
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22	06/02/2005		M	2,500	04/21/1999 04/21/2008	Common Stock	2,500
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22	06/02/2005		M	2,500	04/21/2000 04/21/2008	Common Stock	2,500
	\$ 22	06/02/2005		M	2,500	04/21/2001 04/21/2008		2,500

Option (Right to Buy)								Common Stock	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.88	06/02/2005		M	5,000	04/25/2001	04/25/2010	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THIES MARK T PO BOX 1400 RAPID CITY, SD 577091400			Executive Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney
 Date: 06/03/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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