

OHLMACHER THOMAS M
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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 *
OHLMACHER THOMAS M

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)
05/12/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Pres & COO-Wholesale Business

RAPID CITY, SD 577091400
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/12/2005		M		2,666	A	\$ 24.06	38,093.68	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2005		M		2,667	A	\$ 24.06	40,760.68	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2005		M		2,667	A	\$ 24.06	43,427.68	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2005		S		10,800	D	\$ 35.77	32,627.68	D	
Common Stock	05/12/2005		S		4,900	D	\$ 35.69	27,727.68	D	

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Common Stock	05/12/2005	S	2,300	D	\$ 35.56	25,427.68	D
Common Stock	05/12/2005	M	10,000	A	\$ 21.88	35,427.68	D
Common Stock	05/13/2005	S	8,000	D	\$ 34.5297	27,427.68	D

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)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.06	05/12/2005		M	2,666	07/20/2000 07/20/2009		Common Stock	2,666
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.06	05/12/2005		M	2,667	07/20/2001 07/20/2009		Common Stock	2,667
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.06	05/12/2005		M	2,667	07/20/2002 07/20/2009		Common Stock	2,667
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.88	05/12/2005		M	10,000	04/25/2003 04/25/2010		Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
OHLMACHER THOMAS M PO BOX 1400			Pres & COO-Wholesale Business	

RAPID CITY, SD 577091400

Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of
attorney

05/16/2005

__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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