#### ANDERSON GARNER M

Form 4

December 09, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ANDERSON GARNER 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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Chook all application)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
PO BOX 1400			12/07/2009	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
	(0)					
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
RAPID CITY, SD 57709-1400			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reportin Person		

#### (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDisposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Code Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 12/07/2009 M 333 A 13,178.413 D Stock 22,4375 Common 12/07/2009 333 D M 13,511.413 Stock Common 12/07/2009 M 334 D 13,845.413 22,4375 Stock Common $F^{(1)}$ 12/07/2009 894.994 D \$ 25.07 12,950.419 D Stock Common 12/07/2009 $F^{(2)}$ 27.774 D \$ 25.07 12,922.645 D Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number or of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	Expiration Day/ e (Month/Day/	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.4375	12/07/2009		M	333	3 12/07/2000	) 12/07/2009	Common Stock	333	22
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Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.4375	12/07/2009		M	334	12/07/2002	2 12/07/2009	Common Stock	334	22

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ANDERSON GARNER M PO BOX 1400 RAPID CITY, SD 57709-1400			VP-Treasurer & Chief Risk Offi			
Signatures						
Roxann R. Basham, as power of attorney		12/09/2009				
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date				

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- \* 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).
- (1) Shares used to pay for exercise price of stock option per notice provided to the Company on December 7, 2009.
- (2) Shares used to pay tax withholding.

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