

BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PO BOX 1400

(Street)

RAPID CITY, SD 577091400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**BLACK HILLS CORP /SD/ [BKH]**

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

01/05/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/31/2006                           |  | J                              | V 451.232 A ①   | 30,720.0852   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/05/2007                           |  | A                              | 2,973 A ②   | 33,693.0852   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/05/2007                           |  | F                              | 382.005 D \$ 37.11  | 33,311.0802   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/05/2007                           |  | F                              | 322.256 D \$ 37.11  | 32,988.8242   | D  |   |
| Common Stock - 401K Plan        | 12/31/2006                           |  | J                              | V 70.172 A ③  | 1,899.6373  | I  | By 401(k)   |

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney 01/09/2007  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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 acquired through the Dividend Reinvestment Plan
- (2) Restricted Stock Grant to employee under the Company's Omnibus Incentive Compensation Plan.
- (3) Shares acquired through Dividend Reinvestment under the Company's 401(k) Plan.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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