

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 Vering John B

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)
02/08/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

RAPID CITY, SD 57709

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/01/2006		I		2.3	A	\$ 34.7964
Common Stock	03/01/2006		I		33.528	A	\$ 34.7964

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)

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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)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A	202.4877	<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock 202.4877
Phantom Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	03/01/2006		A	5.3722	<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock 5.3722

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Vering John B PO BOX 1400 RAPID CITY, SD 57709			X	

Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham For: John B. Vering 03/02/2006

__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) 1 for 1 Conversion Ratio
- (2) Derivative Security is exercisable upon retirement under terms of the agreement.
- (3) Derivative Security expires upon retirement under terms of the agreement.

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