

OHLMACHER THOMAS M  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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**

(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)  
**08/11/2005**

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)  
 Pres & COO-Wholesale Business

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	08/11/2005		M		5,000 A \$ 27.49		D
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Common Stock	08/11/2005		M		11,335 A \$ 28.09		D
Common Stock	08/11/2005		M		11,336 A \$ 28.09		D
Common Stock	08/11/2005		S		1,300 D \$ 40		D

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Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	700	D	\$ 39.99	58,098.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	600	D	\$ 39.98	57,498.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 39.97	56,198.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	900	D	\$ 39.96	55,298.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,700	D	\$ 39.95	53,598.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	2,200	D	\$ 39.94	51,398.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 39.93	50,298.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	4,800	D	\$ 39.92	45,498.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	500	D	\$ 39.91	44,998.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	5,971	D	\$ 39.9	39,027.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	3,900	D	\$ 39.89	35,127.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 39.88	34,027.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 39.87	32,927.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	300	D	\$ 39.86	32,627.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 39.85	31,427.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	700	D	\$ 39.84	30,727.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	600	D	\$ 39.83	30,127.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	900	D	\$ 39.82	29,227.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	300	D	\$ 39.81	28,927.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005	S	800	D	\$ 39.78	28,127.68	D
	08/11/2005	S	100	D		28,027.68	D

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Common Stock						\$ 39.77		
Common Stock	08/11/2005		S	200	D	\$ 39.75	27,827.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005		S	200	D	\$ 39.73	27,627.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005		S	100	D	\$ 39.71	27,527.68	D
Common Stock	08/11/2005		S	100	D	\$ 39.7	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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.49	08/11/2005		M	5,000	03/31/2004 03/31/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.49	08/11/2005		M	5,000	03/31/2005 03/31/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.09	08/11/2005		M	11,335	05/15/2004 05/15/2013	Common Stock	11,335	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.09	08/11/2005		M	11,336	05/15/2005 05/15/2013	Common Stock	11,336	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
OHLMACHER THOMAS M PO BOX 1400 RAPID CITY, SD 577091400			Pres & COO-Wholesale Business	

## Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

08/12/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

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

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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