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1(b).

(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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
PO BOX 1400			05/12/2005	X Officer (give title Other (spe below) below) Pres & COO-Wholesale Busines		
(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 Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	ed of	` ′	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)
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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secur Acqu	rities ired (A) sposed of 2. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
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	Ketauonsmps						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
OHLMACHER THOMAS M			Pres & COO-Wholesale Business				
PO BOX 1400							

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By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of attorney

05/16/2005

**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).

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