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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Evans Linden R			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 all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
PO BOX 1400			01/06/2006	X Officer (give title Other (spec below) below) President & COO - Retail			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Che			
RAPID CITY,	SD 577091	400	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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				4. Securities Acquired (A) cionor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	12/31/2005		J	V	25.967	A	<u>(1)</u>	5,408.097	D			
Common Stock	01/06/2006		A		3,380	A	(2)	8,788.097	D			
Common Stock	01/06/2006		F		435.551	D	\$ 35.49	8,352.546	D			
Common Stock - 401K Plan	12/31/2005		J	V	222.0456	A	<u>(3)</u>	1,485.4356	I	By 401(k)		

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	unt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
							Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Evans Linden R PO BOX 1400 RAPID CITY, SD 577091400

President & COO - Retail

Signatures

By: Roxann R. Basham, by power of

attorney 01/10/2006

**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) 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.

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