

PECHOTA GARY L
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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 *
PECHOTA GARY L

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)
11/30/2010

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)
 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)
Common Stock	12/01/2010		I	4.589 A	\$ 30.94	4,098.9884 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)

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Table with 7 columns: 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). Rows include Phantom Stock Unit with conversion ratios 1/1 and 1/1, transaction dates 11/30/2010 and 12/01/2010, and underlying securities Common Stock with amounts 411.8616 and 75.3369.

Reporting Owners

Table with 2 columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships. Relationship categories: Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other. Entry: PECHOTA GARY L, PO BOX 1400, RAPID CITY, SD 57709 with 'X' under 10% Owner.

Signatures

Lorna Zacher, by power of attorney 12/02/2010

**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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