
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 5, 2015

Commission
File Number

Registrant; State of Incorporation
Address; and Telephone Number

I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.

001-31303

**BLACK HILLS
CORPORATION**
(A South Dakota Corporation)
625 Ninth Street
Rapid City, South Dakota 57701
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events

On January 5, 2015, the Company announced the appointment of Esther J. Newbrough as Vice President - Corporate Controller and Kimberly F. Nooney as Vice President - Treasurer.

Ms. Newbrough is a 14-year veteran of the Company and has served in numerous positions during her tenure, including Assistant Corporate Controller since 2010 and Director of Internal Audit prior to that. Before joining the Company she worked in public accounting for 14 years.

Ms. Nooney is an 18-year veteran of the Company. She has served in numerous roles including internal audit, corporate development, accounting systems, treasury, and financial planning and analysis. Prior to her current role as Utilities Controller she served more than three years as the Company's Assistant Treasurer. Before joining the company she worked in public accounting for three years.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BLACK HILLS CORPORATION, Registrant

By: /s/ Richard W. Kinzley

Richard W. Kinzley

Senior Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 5, 2015