### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### FORM U-9C-3

## **QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO RULE 58**

### For the Quarter Ended March 31, 2005

### Black Hills Corporation

(Name of registered holding company)

# 625 Ninth Street, Rapid City, South Dakota 57701

(Address of principal executive offices)

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	Name of Reporting Company	Energy or Gas- Related Company	Date of Organization	State of Organization	Percentage of Voting Securities Held	Type of Business
1.	Black Hills Corporation*	N/A	04/28/2000	South Dakota	N/A	Holding company
1.1	Black Hills Energy, Inc.*	N/A	01/29/2001	South Dakota	100%	Intermediate non- utility holding company for Black Hills Corporation's EWGs, QFs, natural gas/oil/coal companies
1.1.1	Black Hills Generation, Inc.*	N/A	01/05/2000	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility holding company for Black Hills Corporation EWGs and QFs and other businesses related to the ownership and operation of EWGs and QFs
1.1.1.2	Black Hills Idaho Operations, LLC	Energy-related	10/20/1998	Delaware	100%	Provides operating services to a qualifying facility
1.1.1.3	Black Hills Nevada Operations, LLC	Energy-related	06/26/2001	Delaware	100%	Operates qualifying facility
1.1.1.4	Black Hills Ontario, LLC	Energy-related	12/23/1996	Delaware	50%	Qualifying facility
1.1.1.5	Black Hills Southwest, LLC*	N/A	06/11/2001	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.1.5.1	Black Hills Nevada, LLC*	N/A	08/19/1999	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.1.5.1.1	Desert Arc I, LLC	N/A	08/19/1999	Delaware	50%	Intermediate non- utility holding company
1.1.1.5.1.2	Desert Arc II, LLC	N/A	08/19/1999	Delaware	50%	Intermediate non- utility holding company
1.1.1.5.1.1.1 1.1.1.5.1.2.1	Las Vegas Cogeneration Limited Partnership	Energy-related	02/01/1991	Nevada	50%	Qualifying facility
1.1.1.5.1.3	Sunco, Ltd., a Limited Liability Company	Energy-related	02/10/1994	Nevada	100%	Qualifying facility thermal host
1.1.2	Wyodak Resources Development Corp.	Energy-related	07/23/1956	Delaware	100%	Coal mining company
1.1.3	Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc.	Energy-related	11/03/1977	Wyoming	100%	Oil and natural gas exploration and production

1.1.3.1	Black Hills Gas Holdings Corp. (fka Mallon Resources Corporation)*	N/A	07/18/1988	Colorado	100%	Intermediate non- utility holding company
1.1.3.1.1	Black Hills Gas Resources, Inc. (fka Mallon Oil Company)	Energy-related	05/31/1978	Colorado	100%	Oil and gas exploration and production and owns a natural gas gathering pipeline

\*System Company that directly/indirectly holds securities of Reporting Company

	Name of Reporting Company	Energy or Gas- Related Company	Date of Organization	State of Organization	of Voting Securities Held	Type of Business
1.1.3.1.2	Black Hills Cabresto Pipeline, LLC	Energy- related	08/28/2003	Delaware	100%	Owns and operates 12-mile natural gas pipeline in New Mexico
1.1.4	Black Hills Energy Resources, Inc.	Energy- related	06/25/1997	South Dakota	100%	Markets energy commodities
1.1.4.1	Black Hills Operating Company, LLC	Energy- related	02/01/2002	Delaware	100%	Operates and manages oil pipelines and terminals in Texas
1.1.4.2	Black Hills Energy Pipeline, LLC*	N/A	07/20/1999	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility holding company
1.1.4.3	Black Hills Millennium Pipeline, Inc.*	N/A	07/13/1999	South Dakota	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.4.2.1 1.1.4.3.1	Millennium Pipeline Company, L.P.	Energy- related	08/19/1999	Texas	100%	Owns and operates an oil pipeline in Texas
1.1.4.4	Black Hills Energy Terminal, LLC*	N/A	09/29/1999	South Dakota	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.4.5	Black Hills Millennium Terminal, Inc.*	N/A	09/17/1999	South Dakota	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.4.4.1 1.1.4.5.1	Millennium Terminal Company, L.P.	Energy- related	01/21/2000	Texas	100%	Operates an oil terminal and storage facility
1.1.4.6	Black Hills Kilgore Energy Pipeline, LLC*	N/A	02/01/2002	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.4.7	Black Hills Kilgore Pipeline, Inc.*	N/A	02/01/2002	Delaware	100%	Intermediate non- utility subsidiary
1.1.4.6.1 1.1.4.7.1	Black Hills Kilgore Pipeline Company, L.P.	Energy- related	03/14/2002	Texas	100%	Owns and operates an oil pipeline in Texas
1.1.5	Enserco Energy Inc.	Energy- related	08/16/1996	South Dakota	100%	Markets energy commodities

Percentage

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# ITEM 2 - ISSUANCES AND RENEWALS OF SECURITIES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

## For the three month period ended March 31, 2005 (in thousands):

Company Issuing <u>Security</u>	Type of Security <u>Issued</u>	Principal Amount of Issue or <u>Security</u> <u>Renewal</u>	Person to Whom Cost of Security <u>Capital Was Issued</u>	Collateral Consideration Given Received With for Each <u>Security Security</u>
Black Hills Idaho Operations, LLC	ST Debt	\$ 94 Issue	Black Hills 4.12% Generation, Inc.	None \$ 94
1			Black Hills	
Black Hills Ontario, LLC	ST Debt	352 Issue	4.12% Generation, Inc. Black Hills	None 352
Wyodak Resources Development Corp.	ST Debt	28,578 Issue	4.12% Exploration and Production, Inc. Black Hills	None 28,578
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	ST Debt	18,546 Issue	4.12% Exploration and Production, Inc.	None 18,546

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Company	Company	Amount of
Contributing	Receiving	Capital
<u>Capital</u>	<u>Capital</u>	<u>Contribution</u>

None

# **ITEM 3 – ASSOCIATE TRANSACTIONS**

## Part I – Transactions performed by reporting companies on behalf of associate companies

## For the three month period ended March 31, 2005 (in thousands):

Reporting Company Rendering <u>Services</u>	Associate Company Receiving <u>Services</u>	Types of Services <u>Rendered</u>	Direct Costs <u>Charged</u>	Indirect Costs <u>Charged</u>	Cost of <u>Capital</u>	Total Amount <u>Billed</u>
Enserco Energy Inc.	Black Hills Power, Inc.	Physical gas sales	\$ 7	N/A	N/A	\$7
Enserco Energy Inc.	Black Hills Wyoming, Inc.	Physical gas sales	7	N/A	N/A	7
Enserco Energy Inc.	Harbor Cogeneration Company, LLC	Physical gas sales	114	N/A	N/A	114
Enserco Energy Inc.	Black Hills Ontario, LLC	Physical gas sales	645	N/A	N/A	645
Wyodak Resources Development Corp.	Black Hills Power, Inc.	Coal sales	2,424	N/A	N/A	2,424
Wyodak Resources Development Corp.	Black Hills Wyoming, Inc.	Coal sales	722	N/A	N/A	722
Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc.	Enserco Energy Inc.	Physical gas sales	3,018	N/A	N/A	3,018
Black Hills Gas Resources, Inc.	Enserco Energy Inc.	Physical gas sales	11,399	N/A	N/A	11,399
Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc.	Black Hills Energy Resources, Inc.	Crude oil sales	27	N/A	N/A	27
Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc.	Black Hills Gas Resources, Inc.	Operational services	128	N/A	N/A	128

#### Part II - Transactions performed by associate companies on behalf of reporting companies

Associate Company Rendering <u>Services</u>	Reporting Company Receiving <u>Services</u>	Types of Services <u>Rendered</u>	Direct Costs <u>Charged</u>	Indirect Costs <u>Charged</u>	Cost of <u>Capital</u>	Total Amount <u>Billed</u>
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Black Hills Exploration and Production, Inc.	Corporate services	N/A	\$ 1,401	N/A	\$ 1,401
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Enserco Energy Inc.	Corporate services	N/A	500	N/A	500
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Wyodak Resources Development Corp.	Corporate services	N/A	626	N/A	626
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Black Hills Energy Resources, Inc.	Corporate services	N/A	24	N/A	24
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Black Hills Kilgore Pipeline Company, LP	Corporate services	N/A	29	N/A	29
Black Hills Energy, Inc.	Millennium Pipeline Company, LP	Corporate services	N/A	159	N/A	159
Black Hills Power,	Wyodak Resources	Retail electric	212	N/A	N/A	212

For the three months ended March 31, 2005 (in thousands):

Note: Black Hills Corporation has formed a service company, Black Hills Service Company, LLC ("BHSC"), pursuant to the authority granted in <u>Black Hills Corporation, et al.</u>, Holding Company Act Release No. 35-27931 ("Order"). The Commission approved BHSC's standard form of service company agreements in the Order. Pursuant to the phase-in authorized in the Order, BHSC will become fully operational by the end of the year and perform services under service company agreements with its affiliates.

services

Development Corp.

Inc.

### **ITEM 4 – SUMMARY OF AGGREGATE INVESTMENT**

Investments in energy-related companies (in thousands):			
Total consolidated capitalization as of March 31, 2005	\$1,535,544		line 1
Total capitalization multiplied by 15% (line 1 multiplied by 0.15)	230,332		line 2
Greater of \$50 million or line 2		\$230,332	line 3
Total current aggregate investment: (categorized by major line of energy-related business)			
Total current aggregate investment <sup>(1)</sup>		_	line 4
Difference between the greater of \$50 million or 15% of capitalization			
and the total aggregate investment of the registered holding company system (line 3 less line 4)		\$230,332	line 5
Investments in gas-related companies:			
Total current aggregate investment: (categorized by major line of gas-related business)			

None

(1) Investments in energy related companies prior to December 28, 2004, the date Black Hills Corporation became a registered holding company are reported under Item 5 – Other Investments on this Form U-9C-3.

### **ITEM 5 – OTHER INVESTMENTS**

#### As of March 31, 2005 (in thousands):

Major Line of Energy-Related <u>Business</u> <sup>(2)</sup>	Other Investment in Last U-9C-3 <u>Report<sup>(3)</sup></u>	Other Investment in This <u></u> U-9C-3 <u>Report</u>	Reason for Difference in Other <u>Investment</u>
Energy commodity marketing	\$—	\$ 75,542	
Qualifying facilities	_	65,887	
Fuel transportation, handling and storage facilities	_	116,112	
Oil and gas exploration and production		54,517	
Coal mining	_	9,746	

(2) Energy related businesses exempt from calculation in Item 4 – Summary of Aggregate Investment prior to December 28, 2004, the date which Black Hills Corporation became a registered holding company.

(3) This is the initial report on Form U-9C-3 of Black Hills Corporation filed pursuant to Rule 58.

### ITEM 6 - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

List all financial statements and exhibits filed as a part of this report.

(a) Financial statements:

Financial statements as of March 31, 2005 are being filed in paper under cover of Form SE and confidential treatment is being requested pursuant to Rule 104(b), 17 C.F.R. § 250-104(b).

(b) Exhibits:

Exhibits are being filed in paper under cover of Form SE and confidential treatment is being requested pursuant to Rule 104(b), 17 C.F.R. § 250-104(b).

SIGNATURE

Black Hills Corporation

By: <u>/s/ Mark T. Thies</u> MARK T. THIES Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: May 27, 2005