

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 3561

October 7, 2015

Mr. Richard W. Kinzley Chief Financial Officer Black Hills Corporation 625 Ninth Street Rapid City, South Dakota 57701

**Re:** Black Hills Corporation

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2014

Filed February 25, 2015

File No. 1-31303

Dear Mr. Kinzley:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that our comments or changes to disclosure in response to our comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the company or the filing and the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States. We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing includes the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable rules require.

Sincerely,

/s/ William H. Thompson

William H. Thompson Accounting Branch Chief Office of Consumer Products

cc: Esther Newbrough Corporate Controller