

HICKORY TECH CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 10, 2004

**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): **December 9, 2004**

**HICKORY TECH CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Minnesota**  
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

**0-13721**  
(Commission file number)

**41-1524393**  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

**221 East Hickory Street, P.O. Box 3248, Mankato, MN**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**56002-3248**  
(Zip Code)

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(800) 326-5789

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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 and Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On December 9, 2004, Hickory Tech Corporation (the Company ) announced that its board of directors increased its quarterly dividend to \$0.12 per share from \$0.11 per share. A copy of the press release containing more information is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to, and incorporated by reference in, this report.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated December 9, 2004, issued by Hickory Tech Corporation

**SIGNATURE**

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.

Date: December 10, 2004

**HICKORY TECH CORPORATION**

By: */s/ John E. Duffy*  
Name: John E. Duffy  
Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: */s/ David A. Christensen*  
Name: David A. Christensen  
Title: Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release, dated December 9, 2004, issued by Hickory Tech Corporation