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

0-13721 (Commission file number)

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

of incorporation)

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

56002-3248 (Zip Code)

(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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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

Exhibit No. Description

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