

HICKORY TECH CORP  
Form 8-K  
March 17, 2009

## 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): **March 17, 2009**

## 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)

**(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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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 1.01 Entry Material Definitive Agreement**

On March 12, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Hickory Tech Corporation ( the Company ) amended the Rights Agreement dated February 25, 1999 (the Rights Agreement ) between the Company and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A (fka Norwest Bank Minneapolis, N.A.). The Board of Directors adopted an Amended and Restated Rights Agreement that (1) extends the Rights Agreement through March 12, 2019, (2) reduces the purchase price of the rights to \$30.00 per share, and (3) provides for periodic review of the necessity of the plan by a committee of the Board of Directors.

**Item 3.03 Material Modification to Rights of Security Holders**

On March 12, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Company amended the Rights Agreement governing its Shareholder Rights Plan as set forth in Item 1.01 of this Form 8-K.

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

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated March 17, 2009, 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: March 17, 2009

**HICKORY TECH CORPORATION**

By: /s/ John W. Finke  
Name: John W. Finke  
Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ David A. Christensen  
Name: David A. Christensen  
Title: Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press Release, dated March 17, 2009, issued by Hickory Tech Corporation