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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A	Address of Repor	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)			HICKORY TECH CORP [HTCO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)			
221 EAST HICKORY STREET			(Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2011			DirectorX Officer (give below)	re title Other below) Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MANKAT(O, MN 56001					Form filed by Person	More than One Re	porting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of		Date 2A. Dec		3.	4. Securities Acquired		6. Ownership		

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
				(4)	Reported		
				(A) or	Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/07/2011		F	1,876 D \$ 9.49	24,341 (1)	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Prahl Walter Albert 221 EAST HICKORY STREET MANKATO, MN 56001			Vice President				

Signatures

/s/ David A. Christensen, Attorney in Fact for Walter A.
Prahl 03/09/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes shares of stock acquired under the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan as of March 5, 2011.

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