

FINKE JOHN W  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FINKE JOHN W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

221 EAST HICKORY STREET, PO BOX 3248

(Street)

MANKATO, MN 56002-3241

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HICKORY TECH CORP [HTCO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/04/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/04/2013		M		5,000	A	\$ 8.02
Common Stock	01/07/2013		S		1,667	D	\$ 9.77
Common Stock							71,591
Common Stock							13,968
						I	By spouse
						I	Rabbi Trust

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 8.02	01/04/2013		M	5,000	02/16/2006 <sup>(1)</sup> 02/15/2013	Common Stock 5,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FINKE JOHN W 221 EAST HICKORY STREET PO BOX 3248 MANKATO, MN 56002-3241	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ David A. Christensen, Attorney in Fact for John W. Finke  
Date: 01/08/2013

\*\*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) 1,667 shares vested and exercisable on February 16, 2004; 1,667 shares vested and exercisable on February 16, 2005, 1,666 shares vested and exercisable on February 16, 2006.

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