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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FINKE JOHN W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol HICKORY TECH CORP [HTCO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
221 EAST HICKORY STREET, PO BOX 3248		ГКЕЕТ, РО	(Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2013	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Executive Officer		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MANKATO, MN 56002-3241			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative :	Secur	ities Acc	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ion Date 2A. Deemed y/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price		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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/04/2013		Code V M	5,000	A	\$ 8.02	20,093	D	
Common Stock	01/07/2013		S	1,667	D	\$ 9.77	18,426	D	
Common Stock							71,591	I	By spouse
Common Stock							13,968	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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
			Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to buy)	\$ 8.02	01/04/2013	M	5,000	02/16/2006(1)	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

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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