HICKORY TECH CORP Form 8-K March 24, 2006

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO 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 22, 2006

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

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(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))

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ITEM 5.02 (c) DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

On March 24, 2006, Hickory Tech Corporation announced the selection of Dale E. Parker, age 54, as a director on HickoryTech s 10-member board. Parker will fill the independent board position being vacated on April 24, 2006 by Robert E. Switz, president and CEO of ADC Telecommunications, Inc., and will complete the remainder of Switz s term, which expires in 2008. Parker will become the financial expert on HickoryTech s board, as defined under applicable SEC rules, and shall also serve as a financially sophisticated Audit Committee member under applicable NASDAQ rules.

The Registrant s press release announcing the appointment of Mr. Carter is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Exhibit 99.1.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits:

Exhibit 99.1 Press release, dated March 24, 2006

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SIGNATURES

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 24, 2006

HICKORY TECH CORPORATION

By: /s/ John E. Duffy

Name: John E. Duffy

Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ David A. Christensen

Name: David A. Christensen

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial

Officer

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