

Duke Energy CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 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 *

Â HENDRIX DENNIS R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION,Â 5400 WESTHEIMER COURT

(Street)

HOUSTON,Â TXÂ 770565310

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/03/2006

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Duke Energy CORP [DUK]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 202,864 | D | Â |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 32,951 | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 32,951 | I | By 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---|--|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
| LTIP Phantom Stock Grant Feb 2005 ⁽¹⁾ | Â ⁽²⁾ | Â ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 1,456 | \$ ⁽⁴⁾ | D | Â |
| LTIP Phantom Stock Grant May 2005 ⁽¹⁾ | Â ⁽²⁾ | Â ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 540 | \$ ⁽⁴⁾ | D | Â |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾ | 12/20/2005 | 12/20/2010 | Common Stock | 4,000 | \$ 42.81 | D | Â |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾ | Â ⁽⁵⁾ | 12/19/2011 | Common Stock | 4,000 | \$ 37.68 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HENDRIX DENNIS R C/O DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION 5400 WESTHEIMER COURT HOUSTON, TX 770565310 | Â X | Â | Â | Â |

Signatures

By: Judy Z. Mayo, 04/12/2006
Attorney-in-fact for

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

On April 3, 2006, Duke Power Company, LLC, formerly known as Duke Energy Corporation (Predecessor), merged into a wholly-owned

(1) subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation, formerly known as Duke Energy Holding Corp. (Issuer). In connection with the merger, each share of Predecessor's common stock was converted into the right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.

(2) The phantom stock vests in 5 equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

(3) Expiration date not applicable.

(4) Converts to Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

(5) Final installment of one-fifth of the original grant vests on December 19, 2006; remainder fully vested as of December 19, 2005.

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