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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) February 2, 2005

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

NORTH CAROLINA 1-4928 56-0205520

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

526 South Church Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28201-1006

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 704-594-6200

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 2, 2005, Duke Energy Corporation issued a news release announcing its financial results for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended December 31, 2004. A copy of this news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99. The information in Exhibit 99 is being furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

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(c) Exhibits

99 News Release dated February 2, 2005

SIGNATURE

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 thereunto duly authorized.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Keith G. Butler

Keith G. Butler

Vice President and Controller

Dated: February 2, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit	Description					
99	News	Release	dat.ed	February	2.	2005