

Duke Energy CORP  
Form 8-K  
May 15, 2007

**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**

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**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 9, 2007**

**DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-32853**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**20-2777218**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**526 South Church Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1904**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip code)

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

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



**Item 5.02. Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

**2007 Short-Term Incentive Program**

On May 9, 2007, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the Board) of Duke Energy Corporation (the Company) revised the individual objectives applicable to twenty percent (20%) of the 2007 short-term incentive program opportunity of Mr. David L. Hauser under the Duke Energy Corporation Executive Short-Term Incentive Plan. The individual objectives consist of a combination of strategic and operational measures and have been revised to reflect changes in Mr. Hauser's responsibilities.

**Director Compensation**

On May 10, 2007, the Board, upon the recommendation of the Compensation Committee, approved the following changes to the compensation program for non-employee Directors, effective as of May 10, 2007: (i) the portion of the annual retainer that is payable in stock was increased from \$75,000 to \$100,000 and, for 2007, will be payable in the form of immediately vested shares granted under the Duke Energy Corporation 2006 Long-Term Incentive Plan and (ii) the travel accident insurance coverage provided to non-employee Directors will be increased from \$250,000 to \$500,000. The Company's Director compensation program is described in more detail on the attached Exhibit 10.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) *Exhibits.*

10.1 Summary of Director Compensation Program

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION**

Date: May 15, 2007

By: /s/ Steven K. Young  
Name: Steven K. Young  
Title: Senior Vice President and Controller