

Duke Energy CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 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 \*  
MANLY MARC E

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
550 S. TRYON STREET  
(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 28202

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/24/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
GrpExec,ChiefLegalOffr&CorpSec

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/24/2012		S		30,000	D	\$ 21 63,660
Common Stock	02/24/2012		S		10,000	D	\$ 20.95 53,660
Common Stock	02/27/2012		M		4,936	A	\$ 11.54 58,596
Common Stock	02/27/2012		M		33,540	A	\$ 15.5 92,136
Common Stock	02/27/2012		S		47,476	D	\$ 21 44,660

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Common Stock 2,746 I By 401(k)

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.54	02/27/2012		M	4,936	<u>(1)(2)</u> 12/04/2012	Common Stock	4,936
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.5	02/27/2012		M	33,540	01/01/2009 01/01/2016	Common Stock	33,540

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MANLY MARC E 550 S. TRYON STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28202			GrpExec,ChiefLegalOffr&CorpSec	

Signatures

/s/ David S. Maltz, attorney-in-fact Marc E. Manly 02/28/2012  
 \*\*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).

- On April 3, 2006, Cinergy Corp. ('Issuer') merged into a wholly-owned subsidiary of Duke Energy Holding Corp. (now known as Duke Energy Corporation) ('Duke Energy'). In connection with the merger, each share of Issuer's common stock was converted into the right to receive 1.56 shares of Duke Energy's common stock and each stock option of Issuer was converted by multiplying the number of Issuer shares previously covered by the option by 1.56 and dividing the prior exercise price of the option by 1.56.
- (1)
  - (2) The reporting person was granted 200,000 stock options on December 4, 2002. The options became exercisable in five equal annual installments. All unexercisable options became exercisable in connection with the merger between Duke Energy and Cinergy.

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