

Duke Energy CORP
Form 8-K
December 10, 2015

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): **December 10, 2015**

**Commission file
number**

**Registrant, State of Incorporation or Organization,
Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Telephone Number**

**IRS Employer
Identification No.**

1-32853

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

20-2777218

(a Delaware corporation)

550 South Tryon Street

Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

On December 10, 2015, the Board of Directors of Duke Energy Corporation (the Corporation) unanimously elected Lynn J. Good, Vice Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation, as its new Chairman of the Board, effective January 1, 2016. As Chairman of the Board, Ms. Good will succeed Ann Maynard Gray, who will remain on the Board as a director and former chairman.

In addition, the Board unanimously elected Michael G. Browning to serve as the Corporation s independent lead director, effective January 1, 2016. In connection with Mr. Browning s appointment as independent lead director, the Board amended the Corporation s Principles for Corporate Governance to specify the duties and responsibilities of the independent lead director. The Principles for Corporate Governance, as amended, can be found on the Corporation s website at www.duke-energy.com/corporate-governance/principles.asp.

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: December 10, 2015

By: /s/ Julia S. Janson

Name:

Julia S. Janson

Title:

Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer
and Corporate Secretary