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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 15

CERTIFICATION AND NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 OR SUSPENSION OF DUTY TO FILE REPORTS UNDER SECTIONS 13 AND 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.

Commission File Number: 1-4928

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

 $(Exact\ name\ of\ registrant\ as\ specified\ in\ its\ charter)$

(A North Carolina Corporation)

526 South Church Street

Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

(704) 594-6200

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of registrant s principal executive offices)

Common Stock, without par value

Preference Stock Purchase Rights

(Title of each class of securities covered by this Form)

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Senior Notes

(Titles of all other classes of securities for which a duty to file reports under Section 13(a) or 15(d) remains)

Please place an X in the box(es) to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon to terminate or suspend the duty to file reports:

Approximate number of holders of record as of the certification or notice date: 1

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Duke Energy Corporation has caused this certification/notice to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

Date: April 3, 2006

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ Robert T. Lucas, III Name: Robert T. Lucas, III Title: Assistant Secretary