

Duke Energy CORP
Form 8-K
July 16, 2012

**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): **July 13, 2012**

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.)

550 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip code)

(704) 594-6200

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(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))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On July 13, 2012, Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy) announced the appointment of B. Keith Trent as Executive Vice President of Duke Energy's Regulated Utilities. Prior to his new appointment, Mr. Trent had been Executive Vice President and President of Duke Energy's Commercial Business since 2009.

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: July 16, 2012

By:	/s/ Marc E. Manly
Name:	Marc E. Manly
Title:	Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary