

DUKE ENERGY CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
FOWLER FRED J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

526 SOUTH CHURCH STREET

(Street)

CHARLOTTE, NC 282021802

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DUKE ENERGY CORP [DUK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/24/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

President and COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or Price					
Common Stock	02/24/2006		M		11,272 (1)	A	\$ 0	26,458	I	By Trustee, Executive Savings Plan II
Common Stock								106,824	D	
Common Stock								33,604	I	By Trustee under Retirement Savings Plan

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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)	8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
LTIP Phantom Stock 2004 Grant	(2)	02/24/2006		M	11,272	(3)	(4)	Common Stock	11,272

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOWLER FRED J 526 SOUTH CHURCH STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 282021802			President and COO	

## Signatures

By: Judy Z. Mayo, as Attorney-in-Fact for

02/27/2006

\_\_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).
- (1) Shares deferred into Executive Savings Plan II
- (2) 1-for-1
- (3) The phantom stock vests in 5 equal annual installments beginning on February 24, 2005.
- (4) FOR ELECTRONIC FILING PURPOSES ONLY. Expiration date not applicable.

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