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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Â Sims Paula J
(Last) (First) (Middle)

550 S. TRYON STREET
(Street)

CHARLOTTE,Â NCÂ 28202
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)
07/02/2012

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director
_____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below)
_____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock (1)	37,612 (2)	D	Â
Common Stock (1)	1,560	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 Beneficially Owned (*e.g.*, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Management Incentive Compensation Plan (1)	Â (3)	Â (4)	Common Stock	3,990	$ (5)	D	Â
Performance Share Sub-Plan (1)	Â (3)	Â (4)	Common Stock	23,658	$ (5)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Sims Paula J 550 S. TRYON STREET CHARLOTTE,Â NCÂ 28202	Â	Â	Â Executive Vice President	Â

Signatures

David S. Maltz, attorney-in-fact for Paula J. Sims	07/12/2012
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

***** If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) On July 2, 2012, Progress Energy, Inc. ("Predecessor"), merged into a subsidiary of Duke Energy Corporation ("Issuer"). In connection with the merger, each share of Predecessor's common stock was converted into the right to receive .87083 shares of Issuer's common stock.

(2) Includes 10,485 restricted stock units.

(3) Based upon payment schedule selected by the reporting person in the Election Form.

(4) Expiration date not applicable.

(5) Converts to Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

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