

Duke Energy CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BROWNING MICHAEL G**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**526 S. CHURCH STREET**  
  
(Street)

**CHARLOTTE, NC 28202**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/31/2006**

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/31/2006	05/31/2006	M	15,600 A	\$ 15.264 210,102.2	D	
Common Stock	05/31/2006	05/31/2006	G	43,646 D	\$ 0 166,456.2	D	
Common Stock	06/01/2006 <sup>(1)</sup>	06/01/2006	S	19,907 D	\$ 28.028 146,549.2	D	

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$ 15.264	05/31/2006	05/31/2006	M	15,600	(2) 12/14/2009	Common Stock	15,600

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWNING MICHAEL G 526 S. CHURCH STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28202		X		

## Signatures

By: David S. Maltz,  
attorney-in-fact  
Date: 06/02/2006

\*\*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) The reporting person gave instructions on May 31, 2006 to the InvestorDirect Choice Plan administrator to sell the shares. The administrator, in accordance with the plan document, executed the sale order with all other participant orders on the next regularly scheduled transaction date.
- (2) The reporting person was granted 10,000 stock options on December 14, 1999. The options became exercisable in five equal annual installments.

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