

CAROLINA POWER & LIGHT CO  
Form 8-K  
May 14, 2013

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **May 13, 2013**

**Commission file**  
**number**  
**1-32853**

Registrant, State of Incorporation or Organization,  
Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Telephone Number

IRS Employer  
Identification No.  
**20-2777218**

**DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION**

(a Delaware corporation)

550 South Tryon Street

Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803

704-382-3853

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| <b>1-4928</b>             | <b>DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC</b><br><br>(a North Carolina limited liability company)<br><br>526 South Church Street<br><br>Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>56-0205520 | <b>1-3274</b>             | <b>DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, INC.</b><br><br>(a Florida corporation)<br><br>299 First Avenue North<br><br>St. Petersburg, Florida 33701<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>59-0247770 |
| <b>1-15929</b>            | <b>PROGRESS ENERGY, INC.</b><br><br>(a North Carolina corporation)<br><br>410 South Wilmington Street<br><br>Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-1748<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>56-2155481                  | <b>1-1232</b>             | <b>DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.</b><br><br>(an Ohio corporation)<br><br>139 East Fourth Street<br><br>Cincinnati, Ohio 45202<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>31-0240030             |
| <b>1-3382</b>             | <b>DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, INC.</b><br><br>(a North Carolina corporation)<br><br>410 South Wilmington Street<br><br>Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-1748<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>56-0165465             | <b>1-3543</b>             | <b>DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, INC.</b><br><br>(an Indiana corporation)<br><br>1000 East Main Street<br><br>Plainfield, Indiana 46168<br><br>704-382-3853<br><br>35-0594457     |

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  - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On May 13, 2013, Standard & Poor's Ratings Services ( S&P ) revised the ratings outlook on Duke Energy Corporation ( Duke Energy ) and its subsidiaries (collectively, the Companies ) to stable from negative and affirmed Duke Energy's BBB+ corporate credit rating and all issue ratings on the Companies at their current levels. The outlook revision reflects S&P's assessment that the Companies have reduced their downside risk by effectively handling the business, management and regulatory challenges that arose subsequent to the close of the merger with Progress Energy. On July 25, 2012, S&P affirmed Duke Energy's short-term credit rating of A-2, but lowered its corporate credit rating to BBB+ from A-, with a negative outlook, following the close of the merger with Progress Energy.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities 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: May 14, 2013

By: */s/ Julia S. Janson*  
Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and  
Corporate Secretary

Date: May 14, 2013

**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**  
**PROGRESS ENERGY, INC.**  
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