

DUKE ENERGY CORP  
Form 35-CERT  
May 25, 2005

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# **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

## **QUARTERLY FILING CERTIFICATE**

**PURSUANT TO ORDER GRANTING EXEMPTIONS**

**UNDER SECTION 3(b) TO**

**FOREIGN PUBLIC UTILITY COMPANIES**

Release No 35-27497; File No. 70-10013

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## **DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION**

**526 S. Church Street**

**Charlotte, North Carolina 28202**

**(Name of the company filing this certificate and  
address of its principal executive office)**

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**Myron L. Caldwell**

**Vice President and**

**Treasurer**

**Duke Energy Corporation**

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By order issued March 8, 2002, the Commission granted the application of Duke Energy Corporation ( Duke Energy ) under section 3(b) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended. The Commission s order required Duke Energy to file, on a quarterly basis, a certificate containing certain information regarding the capitalization and senior debt ratings of Duke Energy. Pursuant to that requirement, Duke Energy hereby submits its certificate.

**CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned officer of Duke Energy Corporation hereby certifies as follows:

1. The following table shows Duke Energy s total capitalization as of March 31, 2005

**Capitalization (in millions of dollars)**

|  | <b>March 31, 2005</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| Notes Payable and Commercial Paper         | \$ 100                |
| Long-Term Debt (including current portion) | 18,490                |
| Preferred and Preference Stock             | 134                   |
| Minority Interests                         | 1,897                 |
| Total Common Stockholders Equity           | 16,484                |
| <b>Total Capitalization</b>                | <b>\$ 37,105</b>      |

2. As of May 25, 2005, Duke Energy s senior unsecured debt ratings were Baa1 from Moody s Investors Service, Inc., and BBB from Standard & Poor s Rating Service, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand this 25th day of May, 2005.

/s/ MYRON L. CALDWELL  
**Myron L. Caldwell**  
**Vice President and Treasurer**

Respectfully submitted,  
 DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

By: /s/ ROBERT T. LUCAS III  
**Robert T. Lucas III**  
**Assistant Secretary**

Dated: May 25, 2005