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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 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Duke Energy CORP [DUK] Mulhern Mark F (Month/Day/Year) 07/02/2012 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 550 S. TRYON STREET (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) CHARLOTTE, NCÂ 28202 Form filed by More than One **Executive Vice President** Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) D Â Common Stock (1) $60,144 \frac{(2)}{}$ Common Stock (1) 3,191 I By 401(k) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Management Incentive Compensation Plan (1)	(3)	(4)	Common Stock	844	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â
Performance Share	(3)	(4)	Common Stock	32,276	\$ <u>(5)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Mulhern Mark F 550 S. TRYON STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28202	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

Signatures

David S. Maltz, attorney-in-fact for Mark F. Mulhern

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).
- 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 12,836 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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