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October 28, 2005		
UNITED STATES		
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION		
WASHINGTON, DC 20549		
FORM 8-K		
CURRENT REPORT		
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE		
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934		
Date of report: October 28, 2005		
(Date of earliest event reported: October 25, 2005)		
DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION		
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)		
NORTH CAROLINA	1-4928	56-0205520
(State or other jurisdiction of	(Commission File No.)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
incorporation)		
526 South Church Street		
Charlotte, North Carolina (Address of principal executive offices)		28202-1904 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 704-594-6200

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ITEM 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On October 25, 2005, the registrant s Board of Directors elected William Barnet, III, to serve as a director of the registrant until the registrant s 2006 annual meeting of shareholders. The Board appointed Mr. Barnet to the Audit Committee and Nuclear Oversight Committee of the Board of Directors.

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

By: /s/ Edward M. Marsh, Jr.

Edward M. Marsh, Jr.
Deputy General Counsel and Assistant Secretary

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