Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. Form 8-K January 17, 2012

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 12, 2012

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **001-32853** (Commission File Number) 20-2777218 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

550 South Tryon Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-4200

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip code)

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(704) 594-6200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Indiana (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-3543** (Commission File Number) **35-0594457** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1000 East Main Street, Plainfield, Indiana 46168

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip code)

(704) 594-6200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Ohio (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-232** (Commission File Number) **31-0240030** (IRS Employer Identification No.)

139 East Fourth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202

(Address of Principal Executive Offices, including Zip code)

(704) 594-6200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240. 13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On January 12, 2012, Duke Energy Vermillion II LLC, a non-regulated indirect subsidiary of Duke Energy Ohio, Inc. (Duke Energy Ohio) sold its 75% undivided ownership interest in a gas-fired electric power plant located in Vermillion County, Indiana (the Transaction) to Duke Energy Indiana, Inc. (Duke Energy Indiana), a regulated affiliate of Duke Energy Ohio, and Wabash Valley Power Association, Inc. (WVPA). The total purchase price for the plant was \$81.6 million. The closing of the Transaction was subject to the approval of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (the FERC) and Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (the IURC) which were received in September and December, 2011, respectively.

As a result of the closing of the Transaction, Duke Energy Indiana now owns a 62.5% undivided interest in the plant as a tenant in common with WVPA, which owns a 37.5% undivided interest.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and 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: January 17, 2012

By: Name: Title: /s/ Marc E. Manly Marc E. Manly Group Executive, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate Secretary

DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, INC.

Date: January 17, 2012

By: Name: Title: /s/ Marc E. Manly Marc E. Manly Group Executive and Chief Legal Officer

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