Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Form FWP November 16, 2009

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Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, \$750,000,000 5.30% Series due 2040

**Pricing Term Sheet** 

Issuer: Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

Ratings (Moody s/S&P): A1/A (stable/positive)

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Settlement: November 19, 2009; T + 3

Interest Payment Dates: February 15 and August 15, commencing August 15, 2010
Security Description: First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 5.30% Series due 2040

Principal Amount: \$750,000,000 Maturity: February 15, 2040

Coupon: 5.30%

Benchmark Treasury: 4.50% due August 15, 2039

Benchmark Treasury Yield: 4.277%
Spread to Benchmark Treasury: +105 bp
Yield to Maturity: 5.327%

Initial Price to Public: 99.573% per Bond

Redemption Provisions:

Make-Whole Call: +20 bp CUSIP: 26442CAH7

Book-Running Managers: Banc of America Securities LLC

Citigroup Global Markets Inc. Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Co-Managers: BBVA Securities Inc.

Banca IMI S.p.A. Goldman, Sachs & Co. Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.

SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.

Junior Co-Managers: Blaylock Robert Van, LLC

SL Hare Capital, Inc. CastleOak Securities, L.P. Toussaint Capital Partners, LLC Cabrera Capital Markets, LLC

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