

Duke Energy CORP  
Form 8-K  
July 23, 2013

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **July 23, 2013**

**Commission file  
number**

**Registrant, State of Incorporation or rganization,  
Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Telephone Number**

**IRS Employer  
Identification No.**

1-32853

**DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION**

20-2777218

(a Delaware corporation)

550 South Tryon Street

Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803

704-382-3853

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**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**

56-0205520

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**(a North Carolina limited liability company)**

**526 South Church Street**

**Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-4200**

**704-382-3853**

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On July 23, 2013, a Settlement Agreement was filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the PSCSC ) detailing terms of a settlement reached by Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the Company ), the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff, Wal-Mart, the South Carolina Energy Users Committee and the S.C. Small Business Chamber of Commerce, in connection with the rate case filed on March 18, 2013 by the Company. The settlement is subject to the review and approval of the PSCSC.

An overview providing detail on the Settlement Agreement is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

*(d) Exhibits.*

99.1 Duke Energy Carolinas Summary of South Carolina Rate Case Settlement Agreement

**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**

Date: July 23, 2013

By: /s/ Julia S. Janson  
Executive Vice President, Chief Legal Officer and Corporate  
Secretary

**DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC**

Date: July 23, 2013

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Executive Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>99.1</b>	Duke Energy Carolinas Summary of South Carolina Rate Case Settlement Agreement