Duke Energy CORP Form 8-K March 17, 2017

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): March 16, 2017

Commission file number

1-32853

Registrant, State of Incorporation or Organization, Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Telephone Number IRS Employer Identification No.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

(a Delaware corporation) 550 South Tryon Street Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803 704-382-3853

20-2777218

Commission file number 1-4928 Registrant, State of Incorporation or Organization, Address of Principal Executive Offices, Telephone Number and IRS Employer Identification Number DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC

Commission file number 1-1232 Registrant, State of Incorporation or Organization, Address of Principal Executive Offices, Telephone Number and IRS Employer Identification Number DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC.

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	(a North Carolina limited liability company)		(an Ohio corporation)
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	Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1803		Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
	704-382-3853		704-382-3853
1-3382	56-0205520 DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC	1-3543	31-0240030 DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC.
	(a North Carolina limited liability company)		(an Indiana limited liability company)
	410 South Wilmington Street		1000 East Main Street
	Raleigh, North Carolina 27601-1748		Plainfield, Indiana 46168
	704-382-3853		704-382-3853
1-3274	56-0165465 DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC (a Florida limited liability company)	1-6196	35-0594457 PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.
			(a North Carolina corporation)
	299 First Avenue North		4720 Piedmont Row Drive
	St. Petersburg, Florida 33701		Charlotte, North Carolina 28210
	704-382-3853		704-364-3120
	59-0247770		56-556998

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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On March 16, 2017, Duke Energy Corporation (the Corporation) and its wholly-owned subsidiaries, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Florida, LLC, Duke Energy Indiana, LLC, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., Duke Energy Progress, LLC, and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc. (Piedmont), entered into an amendment to the \$6,000,000,000 Credit Agreement, dated as of November 18, 2011 and as amended on December 18, 2013, and January 30, 2015, among the Corporation and each of such subsidiaries (except Piedmont, which became a subsidiary in 2016), as Borrowers, the lenders listed therein, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent and Swingline Lender. The credit facility was originally described and filed in the Corporation's Form 8-K dated November 25, 2011. This amendment was entered into primarily to add Piedmont as a Borrower, to increase the maximum aggregate borrowing amount available to the Borrowers from \$7,500,000,000 to \$8,000,000,000, and to extend the termination date of the facility from January 30, 2020 to March 16, 2022.

The disclosure in this Item 1.01 is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the amendment to the Credit Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Coincident with the credit agreement amendment described in Item 1.01 above, the Corporation increased the size of its commercial paper program from \$4.0 billion to \$4.85 billion. For more information on the commercial paper program, please refer to the Corporation s Form 10-K Annual Report for the year ended December 31, 2016.

Also coincident with the credit facility amendment, Piedmont terminated, in accordance with its terms, the Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of October 1, 2012 among Piedmont, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, Swing Line Lender, L/C Issuer and a Lender, and Branch Banking and Trust Company, Bank of America, N.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., PNC Bank, National Association, U.S. Bank National Association and Royal Bank of Canada, each a Lender.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits.
- 10.1 Amendment No. 3 and Consent, dated as of March 16, 2017, among Duke Energy Corporation, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Duke Energy Ohio, Inc., Duke Energy Indiana, LLC, Duke Energy Kentucky, Inc., Duke Energy Progress, LLC, Duke Energy Florida, LLC, and Piedmont Natural Gas Company, Inc., the Lenders party thereto, the Issuing Lenders party thereto, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent and Swingline Lender

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC DUKE ENERGY PROGRESS, LLC DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC DUKE ENERGY OHIO, INC. DUKE ENERGY INDIANA, LLC PIEDMONT NATURAL GAS COMPANY, INC.

Date: March 17, 2017

By: Name: Title: /s/ Robert T. Lucas III Robert T. Lucas III Assistant Secretary

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Exhibit

Description

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