

DUKE ENERGY CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ESREY WILLIAM T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1314 SPRADDLE CREEK ROAD

(Street)

VAIL, CO 81657

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DUKE ENERGY CORP [DUK]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/28/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/28/2006		M	364 <sup>(1)</sup> A	\$ 0 550	I	By Trustee, Directors' Savings Plan II
Common Stock					32,970	D	
Common Stock					1,333	I	By Partnership <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					5,222	I	By Trust-reporting person trustee/benef

Common Stock	23,927	I	By Trustee under Directors' Savings Plan
Common Stock	891	I	By Trustee, Dividend Reinvestment Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
LTIP Phantom Stock Grant Feb 2005	(3)	02/28/2006		M	364	(4) (4)	Common Stock	364	\$ 0	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ESREY WILLIAM T 1314 SPRADDLE CREEK ROAD VAIL, CO 81657	X			

## Signatures

By: Judy Z. Mayo, as  
Attorney-in-Fact for

03/02/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

- (1) Shares deferred into Directors' Savings Plan II
- (2) By partnership of which the reporting person is sole owner.
- (3) Converts to Common Stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

One fifth will vest on each of the first five anniversaries of the grant date provided the recipient continues to be employed by the registrant or employment terminates on account of retirement. Proration and immediate vesting apply if the recipient's employment

- (4) terminates as a result of death, disability, or by the registrant without cause or as a result of a divestiture. Vesting upon separation from service will occur if the executive's employment is terminated by Duke Energy without cause within two years following a "change in control" (as defined in the Duke Energy 1998 Long-Term Incentive Plan).

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