



UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

DIVISION OF
CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 3561

October 25, 2016

Steven K. Young
Chief Financial Officer
Duke Energy Corporation
550 South Tryon Street
Charlotte, NC 28202-1803

**Re: Duke Energy Corporation
Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2015
Filed February 25, 2016
File No. 01-32853**

Dear Mr. Young:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer Thompson

Jennifer Thompson
Accounting Branch Chief
Office of Consumer Products