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**From:** Michael E Fleenor  
**Sent:** Monday, May 27, 2024 11:37 AM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Michael E Fleenor

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

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### **Docket**

E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

We have been a decade long supporter of residential solar systems. We ask that the Commission vote down the proposal by Duke Power that will have harmful effects on the emerging private solar energy business and will essentially propel current utilities into a virtual monopoly of this business.

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**From:** Janet Whitesides  
**Sent:** Monday, May 27, 2024 6:40 AM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Janet Whitesides

## Statement of Position Submitted

### Name

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### Docket

E-100 Sub 190

### Message

Please reject the plans of Duke Energy to build more electric power plants with gas fuel in the near future. We should instead embrace plans such as proposed by NC WARN, which include, "Distributed solar, especially when paired with battery storage or micro-grids, is vital to creating a resilient and reliable energy system... Distributed energy can provide essential power even when the centralized grid fails." Sincerely, Janet Whitesides

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**From:** Mary W.Cox  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 26, 2024 8:55 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Mary W. Cox

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

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### **Docket**

Docket No. E 100 Sub 190

### **Message**

I have been distressed and angry to learn that Duke Energy is now planning to postpone its goals for reduction of fossil fuel emissions from 2030 to 2038, and that they have begun convert existing coal-fired plants to natural gas, which emits methane, an even more damaging contributor to climate change than CO2. I live in Charlotte, which, along with Mecklenburg County, is working toward some important goals in transitioning from fossil fuels to cleaner energy sources; we are the third fastest-growing city in the country, and businesses and industries moving to the area will continue to increase our need for clean energy. Duke Energy's backtracking on their commitment to cleaner energy generation puts our city's plans and our growth at risk. Even more important is the urgent need for phasing out fossil fuels as quickly as possible in all areas, as we see the effects of a rapidly warming climate in the tornadoes that have left such destruction across the Midwest in the past few weeks and the forecast just issued for the most intense Atlantic hurricane season in history. We can't wait while Duke Energy dawdles! I urge the Utilities Commission to hold Duke Energy to its original 2030 goals for fossil fuel emissions reduction.

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**From:** Jonathan James  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 26, 2024 7:13 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Jonathan James

## Statement of Position Submitted

### Name

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### Docket

100 Sub 190 / E 100 Sub 190 CS

### Message

People over profits. PLAIN AND SIMPLE WHY ARE THEY NOT BOUND TO FOLLOW THE LAW WHEN WE KNOW THEY CAN but if I don't follow the law I go to jail. I'm sick and tired of seeing the rich walk on the rear of us. HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE! Are they above the law

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**From:** Jessica Brooks  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 26, 2024 2:13 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Jessica Brooks

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

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### **Docket**

E100 sub 190/E 100 sub 190 cs

### **Message**

Y'all profited billions of dollars last year. It's time to think about this planet and the future for humans and ALL living things. Greed will get you no where and if there is no planet or people money is worthless. Do the right thing. Honor your commitments.

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**From:** Munsie Davis  
**Sent:** Sunday, May 26, 2024 11:23 AM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Munsie Davis

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

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### **Docket**

E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

Please reject Duke Energy's proposal. Instead, the cost of household solar system plus battery storage could be funded through the rate system.

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**From:** Elizabeth Arant  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 28, 2024 8:49 AM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Elizabeth Arant

## Statement of Position Submitted

### Name

Elizabeth Arant

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### Docket

E-100 Sub 190

### Message

Hello, I am writing to ask the NCUC to reject Duke Energy's most recent Carbon Plan. The plan fails to meet the requirements of HB 951 and will have a negative impact on the development of clean, affordable energy. Duke Energy will not change its practices to better serve the people of North Carolina and their future unless they are forced to do so, and this is the responsibility of the NCUC. With climate change already impacting North Carolina communities, and irreversible harm being done each day by outdated energy infrastructure, enforcing effective environmental standards is an urgent humanitarian imperative. Please reject this plan and demand that Duke Energy draft a plan that meets the requirements of HB 951 by reducing CO2 emissions from electricity generation to 70% below 2005 levels by 2030 and achieving net zero emissions by 2050. Sincerely, Elizabeth Arant

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**From:** Karl Fields  
**Sent:** Monday, May 27, 2024 9:28 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Karl Fields

## Statement of Position Submitted

### Name

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### Docket

Docket Number: E-100 Sub 190

### Message

Dear Utilities Commission, Duke energy proposals do not encourage a shift to sue of more solar power by individual families like mine. Current policies are not fair to consumers. I have solar panels but during only about a third of the electricity I generate goes to offset my electrical bills. This is particularly true in summer where I usually produce more power than I use. Better use of battery storage and fairer compensation to consumers for energy produced would help accelerate NC to move to more sustainable energy.

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**From:** Robert Moore  
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**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Robert Moore

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

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### **Docket**

E100- Sub190

### **Message**

Please no fracking gas power plants only clean rooftop solar and offshore wind. Thank You

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**From:** Robert Moore  
**Sent:** Monday, May 27, 2024 2:14 PM  
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## **Statement of Position Submitted**

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### **Docket**

E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

Please only rooftop solar and offshore wind not fracking gas power plants. Thanks

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**From:** Thomas Gonzalez  
**Sent:** Monday, May 27, 2024 11:51 AM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Thomas Gonzalez

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

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### **Docket**

Docket E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

Commissioners I and my wife live in Hendersonville. We moved here from Raleigh where we lived for 27 years. We have lived here in WNC for almost 10 years. I am grateful to the Commission for their time and an opportunity to share my comments and concerns about Duke Energy's proposed carbon plan. I also appreciate Duke Energy for subsidizing the purchase and installation of our PV system and for improving our local atmosphere by installing gas turbines after removing the coal plant that was along I26. I am writing this for those who will continue here after I am gone. Especially for my four daughters, three of which live in NC with their families. I am dedicated to do what I can while I am still here to insist on reduction of CO2 emissions. This is why I want Duke Energy to be successful in attaining the reduction of carbon dioxide emissions as specified in HB951. Success means Duke Energy will reduce carbon dioxide emissions in a cost effective manner for its ratepayers while ensuring the electrical grid is resilient and reliable. The application of renewables instead of fossil fuels to electric generation strategies is key to successfully reducing CO2 emissions. Battery storage teamed up with these will cover power needs 24/7. Renewables are now the lowest cost way to generate electricity. These approaches are proven. The state of Texas is one of the leaders in application of both wind and solar, to their electric grid. The Texas grid added a record amount of battery capacity in 2023, this will be dwarfed by the amount of new sites planned for the next few years. Duke's preferred strategy is a plan to confirm that it is not possible to meet the targets in HB951. This plan to fail should not be accepted. It holds a number of high risk elements for rate payers that are unworthy of consideration as follows: Construction of new gas dependent power plants is risky because net zero is mandated by 2050 thus, these plants may well have to be retired early. Relying on the availability of a future hydrogen gas infrastructure to enable promoting construction of new methane gas generation capacity is very risky. Creating energy with hydrogen is in its infancy with many barriers to overcome before it can be a reliable part of the clean energy equation, like the methane gas pipelines now in place cannot be used for hydrogen gas, this gas is highly reactive;

upgrades of the existing pipelines would be required. Application of Nuclear power plants is even riskier for ratepayers. The track record for this technology is filled with cost overruns and huge delays. For example: Construction of the Waynesboro, Georgia nuclear power plant began in 2013 and took 14 years to complete. The plant's third unit, which started delivering power to customers in August 2023, was the first new nuclear reactor to be built in the United States since the 1980s. The plant's original cost estimates were \$14 billion, but the cost has since increased to \$30 billion. Duke takes no risk in these endeavors because they get paid no matter what the outcome. Costs are passed on to us, their subscribers. Furthermore Duke's plan arbitrarily inflates the cost estimates of solar, wind and associated storage. A 20% bump in cost is added with no factual basis. The real world experience is just the opposite as evidenced by the reality that in the last 13 to 15 years, renewable power generation costs from solar and wind power have been falling. Between 2010 and 2022, solar and wind power became cost-competitive with fossil fuels even without financial support. The global weighted average cost of electricity from solar PV fell by 89 per cent to 0.049/kWh, almost one-third less than the cheapest fossil fuel globally. PV systems are easy to maintain, as they have no moving parts that wear out over time. Cleaning and monitoring to ensure they are in good physical condition is what is required to keep them working properly. Between their low maintenance costs and average lifespan of 25 years, PV systems reduce operational costs. Finally, Duke's plan does not consider the potential positive effect of congressional legislation now in progress to reform the permitting process for connection of renewables to the grid. This reform will put permitting for renewables on the same level with those of fossil fuels streamlining the process. There is also legislation passed by the Senate that will greatly increase the capacity of the grid and require availability of 30% of peak power generation for inter regional transfer to support nationwide grid reliability. Modeling of this requirement shows that the Carolinas regional grid will save over \$330 million annually without CO2 reduction and up to \$2 billion annually when including 95% CO2 reduction targets. Thank you for allowing me to share my comments.

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**From:** Michael Mac Runnel  
**Sent:** Friday, May 24, 2024 5:34 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Michael Mac Runnel

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

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### **Docket**

E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

Reject Duke Energy's climate-wrecking plans and pursue climate solutions that work! Docket Number: E-100 Sub 190

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