

**From:** Danielle Arostegui  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 28, 2024 2:03 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Danielle Arostegui

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

Danielle Arostegui

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### **Docket**

E-100 Sub 190

### **Message**

My name is Danielle Arostegui. I am a resident of North Carolina, a homeowner, and an owner of a rooftop solar power system. I am writing to ask the Commission to push Duke Energy to prioritize distributed clean energy sources like rooftop solar and solar-plus-storage as opposed to the utility's current plan to build more natural gas. Specifically, Duke should prioritize the installation of solar-plus-storage on schools, fire/EMS facilities, local government buildings, homes and other facilities most vulnerable to climate and economic challenges. These projects could be paid for through the existing electric rate system.

**Grant, Lakisha**

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**From:** Nancy Gardner Carter  
**Sent:** Tuesday, May 28, 2024 2:08 PM  
**To:** Statements  
**Subject:** Statement of Position Submitted by Nancy Gardner Carter

## **Statement of Position Submitted**

### **Name**

Nancy Gardner Carter

### **Email**

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### **Docket**

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 190

### **Message**

My name is Nancy Carter and from 1999-current I have served in 2 locally elected governing bodies. I share great concern with many Mecklenburg residents at the delay of Duke Energy's carbon emissions plan and goals and their exchanging coal fired plants for natural gas fired plants to dominate their energy production for our area. Experts in both the Charlotte and the Mecklenburg government admit that if Duke Energy does not hit its 2030 goal, neither will their branches of government meet theirs and by extension nor will our residents. We recognize the vast and continuing growth in our area and the dramatic rise in demand for energy. We recommend working together with energy production experts such as our John Gaertner and those in other climate concerns groups who have proposed 9 Principles to aid Duke in its transition to clean energy and a healthier climate for all.

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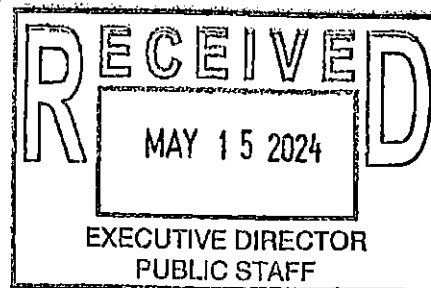
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Phoebe Blackwell  
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To: Mr. Christopher J. Ayers  
Executive Director  
Public Staff—North Carolina Utilities Commission  
4326 Mail Service Center  
Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4300



Dear Utilities Commission,

I fully understand that companies need to make a profit, but I find the Duke Energy issue so very sad and unfair. Here we get reports that their net profit was 2.9 billion dollars in 2023, yet at the same time your commission approved a rate hike that resulted in our February bill being \$1513.15. We are two disabled military retirees and this is a LOT of money. We had to drop the level billing on our account because this was a terrible financial blow. Obviously, the plan is to charge the customers everything and never dent that billions of profit that they pocket.

Recently I received notice of another application Duke is applying for to make a facility in Catawba County where we do not live. This makes me wonder why I did not receive a sheet like this available to comment on for the rate hike you approved in 2023. Everything is costing so much now that people are having to choose between adequate food and necessary medicine. Approving rate hikes during this is really hard on us people.

I was one of the people who stood up and spoke to your commission over the proposed high voltage lines all over Henderson County in 2015. Then we were given ample opportunity to stand up and make it known how we felt about what they wanted to do. Hundreds of people showed up to that meeting because we wanted you to know how we felt. They spray poison around their towers that runs down into watersheds and kills things in peoples yards hundreds of feet away. They build high voltage towers next to homes with children without letting the homeowner know. When we fought to have them not run all those lines because of health issues, they did it anyway by "upgrading existing towers."

When they held those meetings we talked to Duke employees and they stated they would never let their children live under those high voltage lines. Additionally, overhead lines take more maintenance due to weather, yet they never make plans to put them underground like in Europe. The redoing of I-26 in Henderson and Buncombe Counties now underway would have been an excellent opportunity to do this yet it was not even considered.

I just hope there can be more consideration paid to the people in North Carolina and the impact Duke Energy has on our lives and well being.

Sincerely,  
  
Phoebe Blackwell  
USAF Master Sergeant Retired.

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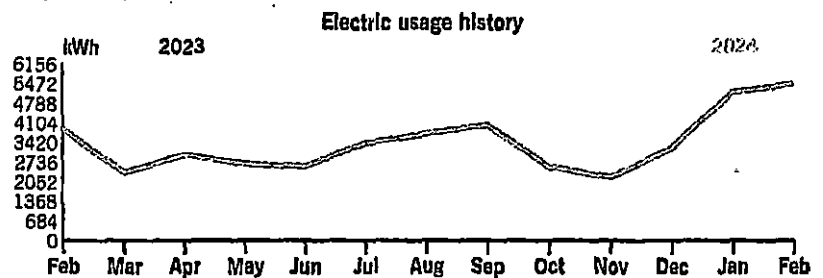
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Payment Received Jan 24	-368.59
Budget Billing Plan Year End Balance	1,144.56
Current Budget Billing Plan Charges	311.00
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# Duke Energy Carolinas receives approval for new rates in North Carolina, implements new programs to help customers

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- Rates include upgrades to make the grid more resilient and shorten the duration of outages
- New programs will give customers more control over energy use and help low-income customers
- Approval includes performance incentives to hold the utility accountable for reliability, encourage renewables and reduce peak system loads

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – Duke Energy Carolinas will implement new rates for North Carolina customers on Jan. 15 as approved by the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC).

Rates for North Carolina customers will remain well below the national average, even after Duke Energy Carolinas completes approximately \$7.7 billion in upgrades to make the electric grid more resistant to outages and enable faster power restoration.

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Duke Energy's net income amounted to approximately 2.9 billion U.S. dollars in the financial year 2023. [Table, chart](#)



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