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www.duke-energy.com/investors/financial/gaap/
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Regulation G

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Duke Energy Strategic Rationale

Merger will strengthen business platforms and will increase value immediately and in the longer term

Creates immediate value

DUK board intends to increase the annual dividend 12.7% to \$1.24 per share effective September 2005

Accretive to earnings

Approximately \$400 million in gross annual synergies at a steady state

Regulated savings to be shared between customers and shareholders

Increased scale and scope of North American generation

Regulated operations with more than 25,000 MW of generating capacity

Merchant power business with combined 16,000 MW of generating capacity

Merchant power business gains fuel and market diversity

Stand-alone strength for both electric and gas operations provides portfolio flexibility

Electric operations would be in top 5 of largest in US by implied market cap

Gas operations would be the largest in US by implied market cap

As utility and merchant businesses continue to consolidate, Duke Energy will be very well positioned to participate

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Transaction Specifics

Delaware holding company Duke Energy Corporation

Consideration 100% stock

Cinergy shareholders will receive 1.56 shares of DUK for
each CIN share

Premium of 13.4% based on May 6 closing prices

Post merger, Cinergy shareholders will hold approximately
24% of Duke shares outstanding (approximately 310
million shares)

Duke Energy's board intends to increase its annual dividend
12.7% to \$1.24 per share effective with September 2005
dividend

Effect of transaction and dividend increase keeps
Cinergy's shareholders whole with respect to their
dividend

Cinergy At A Glance

51.6 Bcf/d

Gas trading

185.1 million MWh

Electric trading

56 projects /

5,357 MW

Energy services projects

14,431 MW

Generating capacity

91 Bcf

Gas sales

65.2 million MWh

Electric sales

\$7.9 billion

Market capitalization at May 6, 2005

Generation

Wholesale Gas End-Use Customers

Gas Marketing Operations

Energy Services

Electric

Gas

Combination

**Regulated
Platform**

**Commercial
Platform**

PSI

CG&E

IN

OH

KY

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Key Operational Metrics

1.7

0.5

1.2

Gas distribution customers (millions)

47,000

25,000

22,000

Service territory (square-miles)

54,000

19,000

35,000

Generation assets operated (MW) ⁽¹⁾

46,000

14,000

32,000

Generation assets owned (MW) ⁽¹⁾

1.5

7,850

Cinergy

3.7

29,350

Combined

2.2

21,500

Duke

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Electric customers (millions)

Number of employees

(1) Amounts include domestic and international MW and are rounded.

As of December 31, 2004

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45 MW

Hydro

259 MW

Oil

1,263 MW

Gas

5,488 MW

Coal

**Midwest
Regulated
Generation**

2,810 MW

Hydro

2,446 MW

Gas

7,754 MW

Coal

5,020 MW

Nuclear

**Southeast
Regulated
Generation**

Merger Combines Two Low-Cost Operators

736 MW

Gas

4,186 MW

Coal

324 MW

Oil

**Midwest
Unregulated
Generation**

3,600 MW

Gas

**Midwest
Unregulated
Generation**

Cinergy

Duke Energy

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Regulatory Timeline

State regulatory approvals

File applications by June 30

Expect approvals within 9 months after filing

FERC

Filing expected in July

Expect approvals within 10 months after filing

SEC

Approval expected 4 - 6 weeks after obtaining all
state and FERC regulatory approvals

Other filings include DOJ, NRC, etc.

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Selected Investor-Owned
Electric Utility Holding Companies

For Illustration only

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Merger Cost Savings

Approximately \$400 million in
annual pre-tax cost savings, before
costs to achieve, by year 3

Savings are ~50% non-regulated
and 50% regulated, before sharing
between customers and
shareholders

Costs-to-achieve largely incurred by
end of year 2

~ 40% expensed

~ 60% capitalized

Rapid integration approach to
achieve Day-1 readiness and
accelerate savings realization

Five-Year Savings Summary (*\$ in millions*)

~\$275

~\$350

(\$425)

(\$175)

~\$400

(\$50)

~\$425

(\$40)

~\$450

Year 1

Year 2

Year 3

Year 4

Year 5

Pre-tax savings

Costs to achieve

12

Cost Savings Distribution

**Origin of Savings before Costs to Achieve
(Year 3)**

(\$ in millions)

Total

~\$400

Corporate

~\$190

Utility

~\$80

Non-Regulated

~\$130

Workforce reductions of about 1,500, or about 50% of total savings:

Corporate and shared services

Regulated utility back-office

Non-regulated marketing, trading and operations

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Other Considerations

Initial Board of Directors 10 named by Duke, 5 named by
Cinergy

Corporate headquarters Charlotte, North Carolina

Headquarter offices for PSI Plainfield, Indiana

Headquarter offices for CG&E and Union Light Heat & Power
Cincinnati, Ohio

Duke Power will continue to be headquartered in Charlotte

Duke Energy Gas Transmission (DEGT) and certain
commercial operations will remain in Houston, Texas

Headquarter offices for Duke Energy Field Services Denver,
Colorado

Headquarter offices for Crescent Resources Charlotte

(a) Includes Cinergy's gas distribution activities

Functional Organization

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Total Shareholder Return

0.00%

5.00%

10.00%

15.00%

20.00%

ETR

DTE

CIN

SO

PPL

TXU

PEG

PGN

FE

D

AEE

FPL

ED

EXC

DUK

September 30, 1988 - December 31, 2004

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Next Steps

Transition Committee

Anderson and Rogers to co-chair

Subcommittees with co-chairs

Begin filing for approvals

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Summary

Merger will enhance strong business platforms

Creates immediate and long-term value

Increased scale and scope provides greater portfolio flexibility

Merchant power business gains fuel and geographic diversity

12.7% increase to current Duke annual dividend

Maintains dividend neutrality for Cinergy shareholders

As utility and merchant businesses continue to consolidate, Duke Energy will be well positioned to participate

Closing is expected in summer 2006

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