

PART II.

Item 5. Market for Registrant's Common Equity and Related Stockholder Matters.

Duke Energy's common stock is listed for trading on the New York Stock Exchange. As of March 3, 2003, there were approximately 150,000 common stockholders of record.

Common Stock Data by Quarter

	2002			2001		
	Dividends Per Share	Stock Price Range(a)		Dividends Per Share	Stock Price Range(a)	
		High	Low		High	Low
First Quarter	\$0.275	\$40.00	\$31.99	\$0.275	\$43.50	\$32.41
Second Quarter	0.55	39.60	28.50	0.55	47.74	38.40
Third Quarter	—	31.10	17.81	—	42.85	34.39
Fourth Quarter	0.275	22.00	16.42	0.275	41.35	32.22

(a) Stock prices represent the intra-day high and low stock price.

On December 17, 1998, Duke Energy's Board of Directors adopted a shareholder rights plan. Under the terms of the plan, one preference stock purchase right was distributed for each share of common stock outstanding on February 12, 1999, and for each share issued thereafter, subject to adjustment as specified. The NCUC and the PSCSC approved this distribution. The plan is intended to ensure the fair treatment of all shareholders in the event of a hostile takeover attempt and to encourage a potential acquirer to negotiate with the Board of Directors a fair price for all shareholders before attempting a takeover. The adoption of the plan was not in response to any takeover offer or threat.

Reference is made to "Compensation—Compensation Plan Disclosure" included in the Proxy Statement relating to Duke Energy's 2003 annual meeting of shareholders, incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Selected Financial Data.

	2002	2001	2000	1999(a)	1998
	(in millions, except per share amounts)				
Income Statement					
Operating revenues(b)	\$15,663	\$18,197	\$15,342	\$10,135	\$ 8,636
Operating expenses(b)	13,212	14,494	12,253	8,560	6,278
Gains on sale of other assets, net	49	238	214	132	48
Operating income	2,500	3,941	3,303	1,707	2,406
Other income and expenses, net	369	315	711	336	241
Interest expense	1,110	785	911	601	514
Minority interest expense	107	327	307	142	96
Earnings before income taxes	1,652	3,144	2,796	1,300	2,037
Income taxes	618	1,150	1,020	453	777
Income before extraordinary item and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,034	1,994	1,776	847	1,260
Extraordinary gain (loss), net of tax	—	—	—	660	(8)
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax	—	(96)	—	—	—
Net income	1,034	1,898	1,776	1,507	1,252
Preferred and preference stock dividends	13	14	19	20	21
Earnings available for common stockholders	<u>\$ 1,021</u>	<u>\$ 1,884</u>	<u>\$ 1,757</u>	<u>\$ 1,487</u>	<u>\$ 1,231</u>
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges	<u>2.1</u>	<u>3.8</u>	<u>3.6</u>	<u>2.7</u>	<u>4.5</u>
Common Stock Data (c)					
Shares of common stock outstanding					
Year-end	895	777	739	733	726
Weighted average	836	767	736	729	722
Earnings per share (before extraordinary item and cumulative effect of change in accounting principle)					
Basic	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.39	\$ 1.13	\$ 1.72
Diluted	1.22	2.56	2.38	1.13	1.71
Earnings per share					
Basic	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.39	\$ 2.04	\$ 1.70
Diluted	1.22	2.44	2.38	2.03	1.70
Dividends per share	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10
Balance Sheet					
Total assets	\$60,966	\$48,531	\$58,232	\$33,409	\$26,806
Long-term debt, less current maturities	20,221	12,321	10,717	8,683	6,272

- (a) Financial information reflects a pre-tax \$800 million charge for estimated injuries and damages claims. The earnings-per-share effect of this charge was \$0.67 per share.
- (b) Operating revenues and expenses have been updated to the extent required to show the impact of the gross versus net presentation of revenues under the partial consensus reached in June 2002 on Emerging Issues Task Force Issue No. 02-03, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading and Risk Management Activities." In the calculation of net revenues, Duke Energy has continued to enhance its methodologies around the application of this complex accounting literature since the third quarter of 2002 when these trading revenues were first reported on a net basis. (See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Summary of Significant Accounting Policies," for further discussion.)
- (c) Amounts prior to 2001 were restated to reflect the two-for-one common stock split effective January 26, 2001.

Item 7. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition

INTRODUCTION

Management's Discussion and Analysis should be read in connection with the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Business Segments. Duke Energy Corporation (collectively with its subsidiaries, Duke Energy), an integrated provider of energy and energy services, offers physical delivery and management of both electricity and natural gas throughout the U.S. and abroad. Duke Energy provides these and other services through the seven business segments described below.

Franchised Electric generates, transmits, distributes and sells electricity in central and western North Carolina and western South Carolina. It conducts operations primarily through Duke Power and Nantahala Power and Light. These electric operations are subject to the rules and regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) and the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (PSCSC).

Natural Gas Transmission provides transportation and storage of natural gas for customers throughout the East Coast and Southern U.S., and in Canada. Natural Gas Transmission also provides distribution service to retail customers in Ontario and Western Canada and gas gathering and processing services to customers in Western Canada. Natural Gas Transmission does business primarily through Duke Energy Gas Transmission Corporation. Duke Energy acquired Westcoast Energy Inc. (Westcoast) on March 14, 2002 (see Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements). Duke Energy Gas Transmission's natural gas transmission and storage operations in the U.S. are subject to the FERC's and the Texas Railroad Commission's rules and regulations, while natural gas gathering, processing, transmission, distribution and storage operations in Canada are subject to the rules and regulations of the National Energy Board, the Ontario Energy Board and the British Columbia Utilities Commission.

Field Services gathers, compresses, treats, processes, transports, trades and markets, and stores natural gas; and produces, transports, trades and markets, and stores natural gas liquids (NGLs). It conducts operations primarily through Duke Energy Field Services, LLC (DEFS), which is approximately 30% owned by ConocoPhillips and approximately 70% owned by Duke Energy. Field Services gathers natural gas from production wellheads in Western Canada and 11 contiguous states in the U.S. Those systems serve major natural gas-producing regions in the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin, Rocky Mountain, Permian Basin, Mid-Continent and East Texas-Austin Chalk-North Louisiana areas, as well as onshore and offshore Gulf Coast areas.

Duke Energy North America (DENA) develops, operates and manages merchant power generation facilities and engages in commodity sales and services related to natural gas and electric power. DENA conducts business throughout the U.S. and Canada through Duke Energy North America, LLC and Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, LLC (DETM). DETM is approximately 40% owned by ExxonMobil Corporation and approximately 60% owned by Duke Energy. Prior to April 1, 2002, the DENA business segment was combined with Duke Energy Merchants Holdings, LLC (DEM) to form a segment called North American Wholesale Energy. In 2002, management combined DEM with the Other Energy Services segment. Previous periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

International Energy develops, operates and manages natural gas transportation and power generation facilities, and engages in sales and marketing of natural gas and electric power outside the U.S. and Canada. It conducts operations primarily through Duke Energy International, LLC and its activities target power generation in Latin America, power generation and natural gas transmission in Asia-Pacific and natural gas marketing in Northwest Europe.

Other Energy Services is composed of diverse energy businesses, operating primarily through DEM, Duke/Fluor Daniel (D/FD) and Energy Delivery Services (EDS). DEM engages in commodity buying and selling, and risk management and financial services in non-regulated energy commodity markets other than physical natural gas and power (such as petroleum products). D/FD provides comprehensive engineering, procurement, construction, commissioning and operating plant services for fossil-fueled electric power generating facilities worldwide. D/FD is a 50/50 partnership between Duke Energy and Fluor Enterprises, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Fluor Corporation. EDS is an engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services firm specializing in electric transmission and distribution lines and substation projects. It was formed in the second quarter of 2002 from the transmission and distribution services component of Duke Engineering & Services, Inc. (DE&S). This component was excluded from the sale of DE&S to Framatome ANP, Inc. on May 1, 2002. Other Energy Services also retained other portions of DE&S that were not part of the sale, as well as a portion of DukeSolutions, Inc. (DukeSolutions) that was not sold on May 1, 2002 to Ameresco, Inc. DE&S and DukeSolutions were included in Other Energy Services through the date of their sales. (See Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on the sales of DE&S and DukeSolutions.)

Duke Ventures is composed of other diverse businesses, operating primarily through Crescent Resources, LLC (Crescent), DukeNet Communications, LLC (DukeNet) and Duke Capital Partners, LLC (DCP). Crescent develops high-quality commercial, residential and multi-family real estate projects, and manages land holdings primarily in the Southeastern and Southwestern U.S. DukeNet develops and manages fiber optic communications systems for wireless, local and long distance communications companies; and selected educational, governmental, financial and health care entities. DCP, a wholly owned merchant finance company, provides debt and equity capital and financial advisory services primarily to the energy industry. In March 2003, Duke Energy announced that it will exit the merchant finance business at DCP in an orderly manner.

Business Strategy. Duke Energy's business strategy is to develop integrated energy businesses in targeted regions where Duke Energy's capabilities in developing energy assets; operating power plants, NGL plants and natural gas pipelines; optimizing commercial operations; and managing risk can provide comprehensive energy solutions for customers and create value for shareholders.

The energy industry and Duke Energy are experiencing a number of challenges, including the substantial imbalance between supply and demand for electricity, the pace of economic recovery, and regulatory and legal uncertainties. In response to these current challenges, Duke Energy is focusing on reducing risks and restructuring its business to be well positioned as the energy marketplace regains its health and vigor. Duke Energy's current goals include: positive net cash generation, investing in its strongest business sectors, sizing its businesses to market realities, addressing merchant energy issues, strengthening relationships with customers, and reducing regulatory and legal uncertainty. Duke Energy's business model provides diversification between stable, less cyclical businesses like Franchised Electric, Natural Gas Transmission and Duke Ventures and the traditionally higher-growth and more cyclical energy merchant businesses like DENA, International Energy and Field Services.

Franchised Electric continues to increase its customer base, maintain low costs and deliver high-quality customer service in the Piedmont Carolinas. Expansion will primarily result from continued growth in the residential and general service sectors, partially offset by a continuing decline in the textile industry. While Franchised Electric's revenues are expected to grow, earnings are expected to remain consistent with 2002, as this expected revenue growth and reduced operating expenses offset the increased amortization expense associated with the North Carolina Clean Air legislation. (See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.)

Natural Gas Transmission plans to continue earnings growth by developing expanded services and incremental projects that meet increasing customer needs. Pipeline growth will be driven by customer expansions in the current market area. Growth will also come from additions to the distribution customer base at Union Gas Limited (Union Gas), a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy and Westcoast, and through expansion of

natural gas storage. Earnings for 2003 will benefit from inclusion of a full year of Westcoast earnings and the continued emphasis on operational efficiency.

Field Services has developed significant size and scope in natural gas gathering and processing and NGL marketing and plans to focus on organic growth.

DENA has invested in energy assets in U.S. and Canadian markets, and provides energy supply, structured origination, risk management and commercial optimization services to large energy customers, energy aggregators and other wholesale companies. Generation oversupply, low spark spreads and volatility, as well as the lack of an economic recovery will delay good returns for the merchant energy business in the near term. In response to market conditions, DENA will continue to seek opportunities to reduce the company's exposure to merchant energy, and may divest certain assets, in whole or in part, when value can be realized. DENA continues to view the energy sales and marketing business as a vital component of a healthy wholesale energy marketplace, and its energy sales and marketing activity will be focused primarily on its asset positions.

International Energy's current strategy is focused on maximizing the returns and cash flow from its current portfolio of energy businesses by creating organic growth through its sales and marketing efforts in all regions, optimizing the output and efficiency of its various facilities, controlling and reducing costs and divesting selected assets.

Other Energy Services will continue to provide customers with a variety of engineering, operating, procurement and construction services in areas related to energy assets.

Duke Ventures plans moderate growth, primarily through its real estate business by developing regional opportunities and by applying extensive experience to new project development.

Duke Energy's business strategy and growth expectations may vary significantly depending on many factors, including, but not limited to, the pace and direction of industry restructuring, regulatory constraints, acquisition and divestiture opportunities, market volatility and economic trends. However, Duke Energy's growth expectations do not rely on progress in deregulation in North Carolina and South Carolina.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

In 2002, earnings available for common stockholders were \$1,021 million, or \$1.22 per basic share, compared to \$1,884 million, or \$2.45 per basic share, in 2001. The decrease was due primarily to a 33% decrease in earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT), as described below, and a \$325 million increase in interest expense due primarily to the debt assumed in the acquisition of Westcoast. These changes were partially offset by the prior year's one-time net-of-tax charge of \$96 million, or \$0.13 per basic share, related to the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle for the January 1, 2001 adoption of Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities" (see Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements). Also offsetting the decrease in earnings available for common stockholders was a \$220 million decrease in minority interest expense in 2002, as discussed in the following sections.

Earnings available for common stockholders increased \$127 million in 2001 to \$1,884 million, or \$2.45 per basic share, from 2000 earnings of \$1,757 million, or \$2.39 per basic share. The increase was due primarily to a 6% increase in EBIT, as described below.

Earnings-per-share information provided above has been restated to reflect the two-for-one common stock split effective January 26, 2001. (See Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Operating income for 2002 was \$2,500 million, compared to \$3,941 million in 2001 and \$3,303 million in 2000. EBIT was \$2,869 million in 2002, \$4,256 million in 2001 and \$4,014 million in 2000. Operating income and EBIT are affected by the same fluctuations for Duke Energy and each of its business segments. (See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on business segments.) The following table shows the components of EBIT and reconciles EBIT to operating and net income.

Reconciliation of Operating Income and EBIT to Net Income (in millions)

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
Operating income	\$2,500	\$3,941	\$3,303
Other income and expenses	369	315	711
EBIT	2,869	4,256	4,014
Interest expense	1,110	785	911
Minority interest expense	107	327	307
Earnings before income taxes	1,652	3,144	2,796
Income taxes	618	1,150	1,020
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,034	1,994	1,776
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax	—	(96)	—
Net income	<u>\$1,034</u>	<u>\$1,898</u>	<u>\$1,776</u>

Total operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$2,534 million to \$15,663 million from \$18,197 for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to decreased trading and marketing net margins as a result of the negative impacts of a prolonged economic weakness, low commodity prices, continued low volatility levels, reduced spark spreads and decreased market liquidity. The decrease was also a result of decreased revenues on the sale of natural gas, NGLs and other petroleum products. The decrease was partially offset by increased transportation, storage and distribution revenue from assets acquired or consolidated as part of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002.

Total operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$1,282 million to \$13,212 million from \$14,494 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to a reduction in expenses related to the purchases of natural gas, NGLs and other petroleum products. The decrease was partially offset by increased operating expenses from assets acquired or consolidated as part of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002, and various asset impairment and severance charges related to current market conditions and strategic actions taken by management.

EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$1,387 million to \$2,869 million from \$4,256 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This decrease was due primarily to decreased trading and marketing results. The decrease in EBIT was also impacted by various charges at several business units, such as asset impairments and severance costs, related to current market conditions and strategic actions taken by management. The decrease in EBIT was also attributable to a decline in the average price realized for electricity generated by Duke Energy's merchant plants. These decreases were partially offset by increased transportation, storage and distribution revenues from assets acquired or consolidated as a part of the acquisition of Westcoast in March 2002.

EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$242 million to \$4,256 million from \$4,014 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This increase was due primarily to increased trading and marketing margins due to significant volatility in the marketplace during 2001. This increase was also attributable to increased gains on the sales of Duke Energy's interests in several generating facilities at DENA. The increase

was impacted, to a lesser extent, by increased earnings resulting from reporting a full year of operations in 2001 as compared to 2000 for several operating facilities. The increase in EBIT was partially offset by decreased earnings from electric revenues due to milder weather in the latter part of 2001 and decreased sales to industrial customers as a result of the slowing economy in 2001.

For a more detailed discussion of EBIT, see segment discussions below.

EBIT is the primary performance measure used by management to evaluate segment performance. On a segment basis, it includes all profits (both operating and non-operating) before deducting interest and taxes, and is net of the minority interest expense related to those profits. Management believes EBIT is a good indicator of each segment's operating performance. As an indicator of Duke Energy's operating performance, EBIT should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income or cash flow as determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). Duke Energy's EBIT may not be comparable to a similarly titled measure of another company.

Management views the sale of operating assets and equity earnings from operating assets as important sources of revenue for Duke Energy and its subsidiaries. Therefore, for internal management purposes, these items are reflected in segment revenues. For external reporting purposes, these items are excluded from revenues and appropriately reflected in separate captions on the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Prior to April 1, 2002, the DENA business segment was combined with DEM to form a segment called North American Wholesale Energy. During 2002, management combined DEM with the Other Energy Services segment. Previous periods have been restated to conform to the current presentation. Business segment EBIT is summarized in the following table, and detailed discussions follow.

EBIT by Business Segment (in millions)

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
Franchised Electric	\$1,608	\$1,631	\$1,820
Natural Gas Transmission	1,174	608	562
Field Services	126	336	311
Duke Energy North America	165	1,487	382
International Energy	(102)	286	341
Other Energy Services	63	(149)	(7)
Duke Ventures	204	183	568
Other Operations	(406)	(357)	(194)
EBIT attributable to minority interests	37	231	231
Consolidated EBIT	<u>\$2,869</u>	<u>\$4,256</u>	<u>\$4,014</u>

Other Operations primarily includes certain unallocated corporate costs and elimination of intersegment profits. The amounts discussed below include intercompany transactions that are eliminated in the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Franchised Electric

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except where noted)		
Operating revenues	\$ 4,888	\$ 4,746	\$ 4,946
Operating expenses	3,329	3,185	3,200
Operating income	1,559	1,561	1,746
Other income, net of expenses	49	70	74
EBIT	\$ 1,608	\$ 1,631	\$ 1,820
Sales, GWh(a)	83,783	79,685	84,766

(a) Gigawatt-hours

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$142 million to \$4,888 million from \$4,746 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The increase resulted primarily from increased GWh sales to retail customers, driven by favorable weather in the latter half of 2002, which contributed \$130 million and continued growth in the average number of residential and general service customers in Franchised Electric's service territory, which contributed \$40 million, with continued growth expected in 2003. Also contributing to the revenue growth was a \$36 million reduction in 2001 revenues resulting from a refinement in the estimates used to calculate unbilled kilowatt-hour sales. (See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) These revenue increases were partially offset by a decrease of \$45 million in off-system market rate sales, primarily driven by lower prices in 2002, and decreased GWh sales to industrial customers as a result of a slow economy, which resulted in a \$35 million reduction in operating revenues. Sales to industrial customers are expected to continue to decline in future periods, negatively impacting revenues.

The following table shows the changes in GWh sales and average number of customers for the past two years.

<u>Increase (decrease) over prior year</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
Residential sales	5.2%	1.7%
General service sales	2.4%	3.6%
Industrial sales	(2.4)%	(9.6)%
Total Franchised Electric sales	5.1%	(6.0)%
Average number of customers	2.4%	2.0%

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$144 million to \$3,329 million from \$3,185 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. As a result of the increase in electric sales, fuel costs increased by \$54 million. Additionally, the increase was due to expenses totaling \$89 million associated with an ice storm in December 2002 and a \$36 million charge in 2002 for severance costs related to workforce reductions. These costs were partially offset by lower operating and maintenance expenses of \$20 million at Duke Power's generating plants.

Other Income, Net of Expenses. Other income, net of expenses decreased \$21 million in 2002 compared to 2001 due primarily to a \$19 million charge, net of an \$8 million credit for property insurance, resulting from the settlement agreements reached with the NCUC and the PSCSC. (See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$23 million to \$1,608 million from \$1,631 million for the year ended December 31, 2001 primarily as a result of increased operating expenses, including costs associated with an ice storm in December 2002, severance costs related to workforce reductions and charges resulting from the settlement agreements reached by Duke Energy with the NCUC and the PSCSC. The increase in operating expenses was offset by increases in revenues as discussed above.

New Legislation. In June 2002, the state of North Carolina passed new clean air legislation that includes provisions that freeze electric utility rates from June 20, 2002 (the effective date of the statute) to December 31, 2007 (rate freeze period), subject to certain conditions, in order for North Carolina electric utilities, including Duke Energy, to make significant reductions in emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from the state's coal-fired power plants over the next ten years. (See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) Management estimates Duke Energy's cost of achieving the proposed emission reductions over the next ten years to be approximately \$1.5 billion in total. Included in the legislation are provisions that allow electric utilities, including Duke Energy, to accelerate the recovery of these compliance costs by amortizing them over seven years.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$200 million to \$4,746 million from \$4,946 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease resulted primarily from milder weather in Franchised Electric's service territory during the latter part of 2001, which reduced operating revenues by \$80 million, decreased sales to industrial customers as a result of the slowing economy which reduced operating revenues by \$60 million and reduced contractual sales to non-native load customers which reduced operating revenue by \$75 million. The 2001 results also included a \$36 million reduction in unbilled revenue receivables, resulting from a refinement in the estimates used to calculate unbilled kilowatt-hour sales. (See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) These decreases to operating revenues were slightly offset by continued growth in the average number of residential and general service customers in Franchised Electric's service territory, which contributed \$50 million.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased slightly to \$3,185 million from \$3,200 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This decrease was due primarily to reduced storm costs incurred in 2001 as compared to 2000 combined with an overall decrease in power delivery operation and maintenance expenses, partially offset by increased costs for nuclear and fossil-fueled plant outages for repairs and maintenance.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$189 million to \$1,631 million from \$1,820 million for the year ended December 31, 2000, due primarily to decreased operating revenues. The primary drivers of the reduced revenues were mild weather in Franchised Electric's service territory during the latter part of 2001, decreased sales to industrial customers, which were a result of the slowing economy, and a reduction in unbilled revenue receivables, resulting from a refinement in the estimates used to calculate unbilled kilowatt-hour sales (see Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements).

Natural Gas Transmission

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except where noted)		
Operating revenues	\$2,602	\$1,105	\$1,131
Operating expenses	1,420	504	581
Operating income	1,182	601	550
Other income, net of expenses	23	7	12
Minority interest expense	31	—	—
EBIT	<u>\$1,174</u>	<u>\$ 608</u>	<u>\$ 562</u>
Proportional throughput, TBtu(a)	3,160	1,781	1,771

(a) Trillion British thermal units

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$1,497 million to \$2,602 million from \$1,105 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This increase resulted primarily from increased transportation, storage, and distribution revenue of \$1,419 million from assets acquired or consolidated as a part of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002. (See Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Revenues also increased \$35 million due to business expansion projects. Operating revenues for 2002 also included a \$28 million construction fee from an unconsolidated affiliate related to the successful completion of Gulfstream Natural Gas System, LLC (Gulfstream), a 581-mile pipeline system, 50% owned by Duke Energy which went into service in May 2002. Also contributing to the increase in operating revenues for 2002 was a \$32 million gain on the sale of a portion of Natural Gas Transmission's limited partnership units in Northern Border Partners, LP.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$916 million to \$1,420 million from \$504 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This increase was due primarily to incremental operating expenses of \$877 million related to the gas transmission, storage and distribution assets acquired or consolidated in the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002. Operating expenses were impacted, to a lesser extent, as a result of severance costs of \$9 million associated with a workforce reduction in 2002 and incremental operating expenses associated with business expansion projects. Partially offsetting the increase in operating expenses were the reversal of reserves of \$25 million related to certain environmental issues that were resolved in 2002 and reduced goodwill amortization of \$14 million in 2002 as a result of the implementation of SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."

Other Income, Net of Expenses. Other income, net of expenses increased \$16 million in 2002 compared to 2001 due in part to an increase in allowance for funds used during construction related to capital projects.

Minority Interest Expense. Minority interest expense for 2002 results from consolidating less than 100% owned subsidiaries acquired in the March 2002 acquisition of Westcoast.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$566 million to \$1,174 million from \$608 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. As discussed above, this increase resulted primarily from incremental EBIT related to assets acquired or consolidated as part of the acquisition of Westcoast in March 2002. EBIT was also impacted by a construction fee from an unconsolidated affiliate related to the successful completion of Gulfstream, and incremental earnings from Gulfstream which went into service in May 2002.

EBIT was impacted, to a lesser extent, by the reversal of reserves as a result of the resolution of certain environmental issues during 2002 and the implementation of SFAS No. 142 resulting in the elimination of goodwill amortization.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased slightly to \$1,105 million from \$1,131 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This decrease resulted primarily from reduced revenues of \$112 million resulting from rate reductions, which became effective in December 2000 at Texas Eastern Transmission, LP (Texas Eastern) to reflect lower recovery requirements for operating costs, primarily system fuel and FERC Order 636 transition costs. These rate reductions are offset in reduced operating expenses. The decrease in revenues was partially offset by \$57 million of incremental revenues from East Tennessee Natural Gas Company (ETNG) and Market Hub Partners (MHP) (acquired in March 2000 and September 2000, respectively), as a result of reporting an entire year of operations in 2001 as compared to 2000 and pre-operational earnings related to allowance for funds used during construction of \$18 million from the Gulfstream project.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$77 million to \$504 million from \$581 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This decrease was due primarily to lower operating costs of \$112 million at Texas Eastern which related to the reduced rates described above. This reduction was partially offset by increased expenses of \$33 million related to a full year of operations of ETNG and MHP in 2001.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$46 million to \$608 million from \$562 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. As discussed above, this increase resulted primarily from increased earnings at ETNG and MHP as a result of reporting an entire year of operations in 2001 as compared to 2000, and earnings from allowance for funds used during construction from the Gulfstream project.

Field Services

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except where noted)		
Operating revenues	\$5,526	\$8,078	\$6,165
Operating expenses	5,365	7,581	5,725
Operating income	161	497	440
Other income, net of expenses	1	1	6
Minority interest expense	36	162	135
EBIT	<u>\$ 126</u>	<u>\$ 336</u>	<u>\$ 311</u>
Natural gas gathered and processed/transported, TBtu/d(a)	8.3	8.6	7.6
NGL production, MBbl/d(b)	391.9	397.2	358.5
Natural gas marketed, TBtu/d	1.6	1.6	0.7
Average natural gas price per MMBtu(c)	\$ 3.22	\$ 4.27	\$ 3.89
Average NGL price per gallon(d)	\$ 0.38	\$ 0.45	\$ 0.53

(a) Trillion British thermal units per day

(b) Thousand barrels per day

(c) Million British thermal units

(d) Does not reflect results of commodity hedges

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$2,552 million to \$5,526 million from \$8,078 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to a \$2,509 million reduction in revenues on the sale of natural gas, natural gas liquids and other petroleum products, resulting primarily from a \$1.05 per MMBtu decrease in natural gas price and a decrease in average NGL prices of approximately \$0.07 per gallon. Other factors contributing to lower operating revenues were reduced levels of natural gas gathered and processed/transported (throughput) of 0.3 TBtu per day, and a decreased trading and marketing net margin as a result of market conditions.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$2,216 million to \$5,365 million from \$7,581 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to a \$2,301 million reduction in expenses related to purchases of natural gas, natural liquids and other petroleum products resulting primarily from a decrease in average natural gas prices of \$1.05 per MMBtu, a \$0.07 per gallon decrease in average NGL prices and lower throughput levels. Partially offsetting these decreases were increases in operating and maintenance costs and general administrative costs of \$113 million, resulting from increased maintenance on equipment, pipeline integrity and core business process improvements.

Additionally, Field Services recorded a \$40 million charge (\$28 million at Duke Energy's 70% share) for asset impairments in the fourth quarter of 2002 as a result of periodic asset performance evaluations as required by the guidance of SFAS No.144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Term Assets." (See Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on asset impairment.) It was estimated in December 2002 that certain gas plants and gathering systems will continue to generate minimal or negative cash flows in future years. Based on the results of these analyses, Field Services determined that the carrying value of these assets was impaired and, accordingly, recorded a charge to reduce the carrying value to fair value.

Field Services also recorded, as part of its internal review of balance sheet accounts, approximately \$53 million of charges (\$37 million at Duke Energy's 70% share) in 2002, which may be related to corrections of accounting errors in prior periods. These adjustments were made in the following five categories: operating expense accruals; gas inventory valuations; gas imbalances; joint venture and investment account reconciliations; and other balance sheet accounts and are immaterial to Duke Energy's reported results.

Minority Interest Expense. Minority interest at Field Services decreased \$126 million in 2002 compared to 2001 due primarily to decreased earnings from DEFS, Duke Energy's joint venture with ConocoPhillips.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$210 million to \$126 million from \$336 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This decrease was due primarily to the changes in commodity prices, increases in operating and general and administrative costs, and asset impairment charges.

Field Services revenues and expenses are significantly dependent on commodity prices such as NGL's and natural gas. Past and current trends in the price changes of these commodities may not be indicative of future trends. If negative market conditions persist over time and estimated cash flows over the lives of Field Services' individual assets do not exceed the carrying value of those individual assets, asset impairments may occur in the future under existing accounting rules. Furthermore, a change in management's intent about the use of individual assets (held for use versus held for sale) could also impact an impairment analysis. At December 31, 2002, Field Services had goodwill of \$481 million and net property, plant and equipment of \$4,642 million.

Duke Energy and ConocoPhillips are currently in discussions regarding possible changes to DEFS' ownership. Member interests in DEFS are currently held approximately 70% by Duke Energy and approximately 30% by ConocoPhillips. The discussions are focused on a possible change in the ownership structure that would be driven by the possible contribution by ConocoPhillips of certain midstream natural gas assets to DEFS. There

is no certainty that these discussions will lead to a transaction in which ConocoPhillips would contribute these assets to DEFS or what might be the terms of such a transaction.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$1,913 million to \$8,078 million from \$6,165 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The increase was due primarily to recognizing a full year of the results of the combination of Field Services' natural gas gathering, processing and marketing business with Phillips (now ConocoPhillips, the Phillips combination) in March 2000, which contributed operating revenues of \$1,064 million. Additional increases were attributable to increases in natural gas prices, other acquisitions, net trading margin and results of hedging activity. These increases were partially offset by lower average NGL prices that decreased \$0.08 per gallon from 2000.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$1,856 million to \$7,581 million from \$5,725 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The increase was due primarily to the Phillips combination, which resulted in additional purchases of natural gas, natural gas liquids and petroleum products of \$881 million. Additional increases resulted from other acquisitions and the effect of higher average natural gas prices, offset by lower NGL prices on our natural gas and NGL purchase contracts. Operating and maintenance and general administrative cost reduction efforts of \$36 million offset increases due to the Phillips combination. Increased depreciation expense as a result of the Phillips combination also contributed \$44 million to the increase in operating expenses.

Minority Interest Expense. Minority interest at Field Services increased \$27 million in 2001 compared to 2000 due primarily to increased income from DEFS, as a result of the Phillips combination.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$25 million to \$336 million from \$311 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This increase was due primarily to recognizing a full year of operating results of the Phillips combination in March 2000, which was partially offset by lower average NGL prices from 2000. The increase in EBIT was also a result of savings from cost reduction efforts and plant consolidations.

Duke Energy North America

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except where noted)		
Operating revenues	\$ 1,596	\$ 3,297	\$ 2,233
Operating expenses	1,507	1,768	1,778
Operating income	89	1,529	455
Other income, net of expenses	33	2	—
Minority interest (benefit) expense	(43)	44	73
EBIT	<u>\$ 165</u>	<u>\$ 1,487</u>	<u>\$ 382</u>
Natural gas marketed, TBtu/d	17.7	12.3	11.9
Electricity marketed and traded, GWh	546,245	334,517	275,258
Proportional megawatt capacity in operation	14,157	6,799	5,134

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$1,701 million to \$1,596 million from \$3,297 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. Significant increases in the megawatt capacity of generation assets in operation were more than offset by decreases in the average price

realized for electricity generated, resulting in a reduction in operating revenue of \$415 million. In addition, revenues decreased \$1,017 million as a result of a decrease in the trading and marketing net margin. DENA's results reflect the negative impacts of a prolonged economic weakness, low commodity prices, continued low volatility levels (measures of the fluctuation in the prices of energy commodities or products), reduced spark spreads (the difference between the value of electricity and the value of the gas required to generate the electricity), and decreased market liquidity. These negative trends are expected to continue in 2003. Also contributing to the decrease in revenues were net gains of \$229 million in 2001 from the sale of interests in generating facilities.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$261 million to \$1,507 million from \$1,768 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to lower incentive compensation expense of \$300 million primarily related to trading activities, decreased bad debt expense of \$123 million, lower fuel costs of \$88 million, and demolition reserves recorded in 2001 of \$65 million. Partially offsetting the decreases were higher depreciation expense of \$89 million related to the commencement of operations of nine generation facilities by mid-year 2002. Also offsetting the decreases were asset impairment, severance, and other charges of \$248 million related to current market conditions and strategic actions taken by management. These charges included provisions for the termination of certain turbines on order and the write-down of other uninstalled turbines of \$121 million, the write-off of site development costs (primarily in California) of \$31 million, partial impairment of a merchant plant of \$31 million, demobilization costs related to the deferral of three merchant power projects of \$22 million, a charge of \$24 million for the write-off of an information technology system, and severance costs of \$19 million associated with work force reductions. (See Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on asset impairment.)

Other Income, Net of Expenses. Other income, net of expenses, increased \$31 million in 2002 compared to 2001. The increase was due primarily to settlements received on disputed items at two generating facilities and interest income related to a note receivable associated with the sale of an interest in a generating facility.

Minority Interest (Benefit) Expense. Increased losses at DETM, DENA's joint venture with Exxon Mobil Corporation, resulted in an \$87 million decrease in minority interest expense in 2002 as compared to 2001.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$1,322 million to \$165 million from \$1,487 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to those factors discussed above: decreased trading margins, a decrease in the average price realized on electric generation, a decrease in the number of generation facilities sold in 2002, and certain charges taken as a result of current market conditions and strategic actions taken by management.

As a result of Duke Energy's findings in the course of its investigation related to the Securities and Exchange Commission's (SEC) inquiry on "round trip" trades (see Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements—Commitments and Contingencies—Litigation, Trading Matters for additional information), DENA identified accounting issues that justified adjustments which reduced its EBIT by \$11 million during 2002. An additional \$2 million charge was recorded in other Duke Energy business segments related to these findings.

If negative market conditions persist over time and estimated cash flows over the lives of DENA's individual assets do not exceed the carrying value of those individual assets, asset impairments may occur in the future under existing accounting rules. Furthermore, a change in management's intent about the use of individual assets (held for use versus held for sale) could also impact an impairment analysis. At December 31, 2002, DENA had \$254 million of goodwill (\$154 million recorded at Other Operations) and \$7,118 million in net property, plant and equipment.

Other Matters Impacting Future DENA Results. On October 31, 2002, the FERC imposed a soft price cap for the sale of energy throughout the Western Electricity Coordinating Council of \$250 per megawatt hour.

DETM was previously committed to market substantially all of Mobil's U.S. and Canadian natural gas production through 2006. However, Duke Energy and ExxonMobil subsidiaries have reached an agreement to modify DETM's gas supply from the ExxonMobil subsidiaries, so that a substantial amount of the gas will be released to ExxonMobil beginning in March 2003.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$1,064 million to \$3,297 million from \$2,233 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The increase was due primarily to increased trading and marketing net margin of \$1,154 million as a result of significant increases in volatility in the marketplace during 2001. The increase in operating revenue was also impacted by \$63 million of incremental gains in 2001 over 2000 due to the sale of DENA's interest in several generating facilities. The increase was partially offset by a decrease of \$127 million in operating revenues as a result of lower average prices realized for increased volumes of electricity generated and sold.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$10 million to \$1,768 million from \$1,778 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease was primarily the result of lower fuel costs of \$439 million in 2001 and a \$110 million charge in 2000 related to receivables for energy sales in California. These decreases were partially offset by increased compensation expense of \$100 million, primarily related to trading activities, demolition reserves of \$65 million, and higher depreciation and operating expenses of \$101 million at existing plants and additional plants in operation in 2001. The decrease in operating expenses were further offset by increased operating expenses related to increased bad debts of \$84 million, and increased costs associated with other trading and development activities of \$167 million.

Minority Interest (Benefit) Expense. Increased losses at DETM, and increases in the ownership percentage of DENA's waste-to-energy plants resulted in a \$29 million decrease in minority interest expense in 2001 as compared to 2000.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$1,105 million to \$1,487 million from \$382 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The increase was due primarily to those factors discussed above: increased trading margins and gains on sales of generating facilities during 2001.

International Energy

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except where noted)		
Operating revenues	\$ 937	\$ 830	\$ 805
Operating expenses	1,081	557	483
Operating (loss) income	(144)	273	322
Other income, net of expenses	57	36	42
Minority interest expense	15	23	23
EBIT	\$ (102)	\$ 286	\$ 341
Sales, GWh(a)	21,443	18,896	16,949
Natural gas marketed, TBtu/d	4.2	2.7	1.0
Electricity marketed and traded, GWh	95,591	12,719	4,208
Proportional megawatt capacity in operation	4,792	4,568	4,226
Proportional maximum pipeline capacity in operation, MMcf/d(b)	363	255	255

(a) GWh sold by the operating assets to consumers, industrial users, etc.

(b) Million cubic feet per day

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$107 million to \$937 million from \$830 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The increase was primarily a result of the combination of increased prices, and GWh's sold at International Energy's Latin American operating facilities, which resulted in increased revenues of \$50 million. Additionally, revenues increased \$65 million due to the operating assets acquired and fully consolidated in Duke Energy's financial statements as a result of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002. Assets acquired in Guatemala during 2001 contributed additional revenues of \$36 million in 2002 as a result of reporting a full year of operations in 2002 compared to only two months in 2001. These increases were partially offset by decreased revenues of \$34 million from International Energy's European operations, which were negatively affected by lower trading margins and liquidity, and decreased revenues of \$15 million as a result of lower sales volumes and commodity prices at International Energy's liquid natural gas business.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$524 million to \$1,081 million from \$557 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This increase was due partly to operating expenses generated from certain assets as a result of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002, which contributed \$22 million of operating expenses. These assets were fully consolidated in the accompanying financial statements subsequent to the acquisition date of March 14, 2002. In 2001, these assets were accounted for under the equity method of accounting. The increase was also a result of \$39 million of operating expenses related to increased fuel and transmission charges at the Latin American operating facilities and the effect of reporting a full year of operations in 2002 for assets acquired in Guatemala during 2001, compared to only two months in 2001.

The increase in operating expenses was further impacted by a \$194 million charge for impairment of goodwill for International Energy's European trading and marketing business. The goodwill was originally recorded in connection with International Energy's acquisition of Mobile Europe Gas Inc in 2000. The impairment was a result of Duke Energy's revised market outlook for the European power and natural gas trading markets. International Energy took additional impairment charges in 2002 of \$109 million related to the write-off of project and site development costs in Brazil and International Energy's Asia Pacific businesses, along with the write-down of uninstalled turbines and office relocation charges in Australia.

The increase in operating expenses was further impacted by \$75 million as a result of reserve reversals related to the Brazilian operations in 2001: the establishment of settlement provisions in 2002, primarily related to rationing of water and power generation in Brazil; and various reserves related to International Energy's liquefied natural gas contracts and Peru based businesses.

Other Income, Net of Expenses. Other income, net of expenses increased \$21 million in 2002 compared to 2001. The increase was primarily the result of an increase in interest income in International Energy's Latin American operations as a result of higher cash and cash equivalents balances.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$388 million to a loss of \$102 million from income of \$286 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This decrease was due primarily to various impairment charges related to International Energy's revised market outlook for its European power and natural gas trading markets, poor performance of its trading and marketing business in the weakened European power and gas markets, and charges recorded as a result of the write-off of site development costs and the write-down of uninstalled turbines, primarily related to planned energy plants in Brazil. The decrease in EBIT was partially offset by the positive effect of the Westcoast and Guatemala acquisitions.

If negative market conditions persist over time and estimated cash flows over the lives of International Energy's individual assets do not exceed the carrying value of those individual assets, asset impairments may

occur in the future under existing accounting rules. Furthermore, a change in management's intent about the use of individual assets (held for use versus held for sale) could also impact an impairment analysis. At December 31, 2002, International Energy had \$246 million in goodwill and \$2,715 million in net property, plant and equipment.

Other Matters Impacting Future International Energy Results. EBIT results for International Energy are sensitive to short term translation impacts from fluctuations in exchange rates, most notably the Brazilian real, the Mexican peso, the Argentine peso, the European euro, the Australian dollar and the Peruvian nuevo sol.

Certain of International Energy's long-term sales contracts contain inflation adjustment clauses. Following the recent devaluation of the Brazilian currency, inflation rates in Brazil are on the rise. While this is favorable to revenue in the long run, as International Energy's contract prices are adjusted, there is an unfavorable impact on interest expense as a result of revaluation of International Energy's outstanding local debt. At the current levels of inflation, this could have a significant impact on interest expense at International Energy for the year ended December 31, 2003.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$25 million to \$830 million from \$805 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The increase was primarily a result of stronger operational results in the Latin American businesses and inflation adjustment clauses in certain power purchases agreements of \$72 million. Additionally, reporting a full year of operations in 2001 for the Eastern Gas Pipeline constructed in Australia, compared to only four months in 2000 contributed \$13 million in revenues. This increase was partially offset by a \$54 million gain recognized in 2000 from the sale of liquefied natural gas ships.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$74 million to \$557 million from \$483 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This increase was due primarily to increases in reserves of \$21 million for spot purchases and spot purchase expense of electricity due to power and water rationing in Brazil. The increase in operating expenses also resulted from increases in general and administrative expenses of \$31 million in International Energy's Asia Pacific, Latin American and corporate offices. In addition, reporting a full year of operations in 2001 for the Eastern Gas Pipeline as compared to four months in 2000 contributed operating costs of \$10 million.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$55 million to \$286 million from \$341 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to a gain recognized in 2000 from the sale of liquefied natural gas ships, and the impact in 2001 of foreign currency devaluation on the earnings of international operations. This decrease was offset by inflation adjustment clauses in certain power purchase agreements and stronger Latin American operational results.

Other Energy Services

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Operating revenues	\$405	\$ 534	\$850
Operating expenses	359	688	860
Operating income (loss)	46	(154)	(10)
Other income, net of expenses	17	5	3
EBIT	<u>\$ 63</u>	<u>\$(149)</u>	<u>\$ (7)</u>

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$129 million to \$405 million from \$534 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to the sale of DE&S and DukeSolutions in 2002, resulting in a partial year of revenues compared to a full year in 2001. The sale of these entities resulted in a decrease of \$339 million of operating revenues. The sale of DE&S to Framatome ANP, Inc. was completed on May 1, 2002, and the sale of DukeSolutions to Ameresco, Inc was completed on May 1, 2002. (See Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Partially offsetting the decreases in revenues as a result of the sale transactions was increased equity earnings from D/FD of \$75 million, as a result of D/FD completing a number of energy plants. Most of the plants were constructed for DENA or Duke Power and therefore the related intercompany profit has been eliminated within the Other Operations segment. (See Note 8 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on equity earnings and D/FD's related party transactions.) EDS was formed in the second quarter of 2002, and contributed \$92 million in revenues. Revenues also increased by \$39 million at DEM as a result of increased trading and marketing net margins in 2002, and the write-offs for Enron Corporation (Enron) and Agrifos in 2001.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$329 million to \$359 million from \$688 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was due primarily to the sale of DE&S and DukeSolutions in 2002, resulting in a partial year of expenses. The sale of these entities resulted in a decrease of \$364 million in operating expenses. The decrease in operating expenses was partially offset by a \$77 million increase in operating expenses as a result of the formation of EDS in the second quarter of 2002, and \$17 million of severance charges in 2002 at D/FD due to the downturn in the domestic power industry.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$212 million to \$63 million from a loss of \$149 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The increase was due primarily to the sale of portions of the DE&S and DukeSolutions entities in 2002, increased equity in earnings at D/FD, earnings generated from EDS and the DEM write-off for Enron and Agrifos in 2001.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$316 million to \$534 million from \$850 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease was due primarily to decreased revenues at Duke Solutions of \$307 million due to decreased volumes and the cessation of retail commodity trading. The decrease in revenues was also a result of decreased trading and marketing net revenues at DEM of \$186 million due to the write-offs for Enron and Agrifos in 2001, and DEM's ownership interest in Canadian 88 Energy Corp. The decreases in revenues were partially offset by an increase in revenues of \$110 million at DE&S due primarily to increased business activity and a \$62 million loss in 2000 related to a D/FD project.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$172 million to \$688 million from \$860 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease was due primarily to decreased expenses at DukeSolutions of \$273 million due to the cessation of retail commodity trading. The decrease in expenses was partially offset by an increase in operating expenses of \$57 million as a result of increased business activity at DE&S, and charges at DE&S and DukeSolutions of \$36 million for goodwill impairment.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$142 million compared to the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease was due primarily to the cessation of retail commodity trading at Duke Solutions, decreased trading and marketing net margins at DEM, and charges taken at DE&S and DukeSolutions for goodwill impairment. The decrease was partially offset by increased earnings at DE&S as a result of new business activity.

Duke Ventures

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Operating revenues	\$547	\$646	\$797
Operating expenses	346	461	229
Operating income	201	185	568
Other income, net of expenses	1	—	—
Minority interest (benefit) expense	(2)	2	—
EBIT	<u>\$204</u>	<u>\$183</u>	<u>\$568</u>

Year Ended December 31, 2002 as Compared to December 31, 2001

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$99 million to \$547 million from \$646 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. The decrease was primarily a result of decreased commercial project sales of \$184 million and reduced rental revenue of \$19 million in 2002 at Crescent due to current soft market conditions. These decreases were partially offset by an increase in residential developed lot sales in 2002 of \$29 million at Crescent due to the addition of several high-end communities and an increase in surplus land sales in 2002 of \$29 million. Additionally, the sale of Duke Energy's remaining water operations in 2002 resulted in a gain of \$33 million.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2002 decreased \$115 million to \$346 million from \$461 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This decrease was due primarily to decreased costs of \$155 million associated with a decrease in commercial project sales at Crescent in 2002. This decrease was partially offset by an increase in the cost of developed lot sales of \$28 million at Crescent in 2002.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2002 increased \$21 million to \$204 million from \$183 million for the year ended December 31, 2001. This increase was due primarily to higher profit margins on properties sold by Crescent in 2002 as compared to 2001 and the gain on sale of water operations during 2002. These increases were offset by reduced earnings from commercial project sales and reduced rental revenue at Crescent.

Year Ended December 31, 2001 as Compared to December 31, 2000

Operating Revenues. Operating revenues for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$151 million to \$646 million from \$797 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. The decrease was primarily a result of a gain of \$407 million recorded in 2000 on DukeNet's sale of its 20% interest in BellSouth Carolina PCS to BellSouth Corporation. The decrease in operating revenues was offset by a \$215 million increase in commercial project sales at Crescent during 2001 and losses of \$10 million incurred in 2000 related to DukeNet's BellSouth Carolina PCS investment.

Operating Expenses. Operating expenses for the year ended December 31, 2001 increased \$232 million to \$461 million from \$229 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This increase was due primarily to increased commercial project sales at Crescent in 2001, which contributed additional operating expenses of \$190 million.

EBIT. EBIT for the year ended December 31, 2001 decreased \$385 million to \$183 million from \$568 million for the year ended December 31, 2000. This decrease was due mainly to DukeNet's gain on sale of its 20% interest in BellSouth Carolina PCS to BellSouth Corporation in 2000, offset by increased earnings at Crescent related primarily to increased commercial project sales, and the absence of losses related to DukeNet's BellSouth Carolina PCS investment in 2001.

In March 2003, Duke Energy announced that it will exit the merchant finance business at DCP in an orderly manner.

Other Operations

EBIT for Other Operations decreased \$49 million in 2002 and \$163 million in 2001. The decrease for 2002 was due primarily to increased intercompany profits between Duke Energy's segments which are eliminated within the Other Operations segment. These intercompany profits are primarily a result of earnings at D/FD for energy plants it has under construction or completed for DENA, and profits on gas contracts between DENA and Natural Gas Transmission. Partially offsetting the decrease were the expenses associated with increased contributions in 2001 to the Duke Energy Foundation (an independent, Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3) entity that funds Duke Energy's charitable contributions) and mark-to-market losses in 2001 on corporately managed energy risk positions used to hedge exposure to commodity prices.

The decrease for 2001 was due primarily to increased contributions to the Duke Energy Foundation, mark-to-market losses on corporately managed energy risk positions used to hedge exposure to commodity prices, increased unallocated corporate costs and an interest refund in 2000 from an Internal Revenue Agency Ruling.

Other Impacts on Earnings Available for Common Stockholders

Interest expense increased \$325 million in 2002 as compared to 2001, due primarily to higher debt balances resulting from debt assumed in, and issued with respect to, the acquisition of Westcoast and increased financing throughout the corporation, partially offset by lower interest rates in 2002. In 2001 as compared to 2000, interest expense decreased \$126 million due primarily to lower interest rates.

Minority interest expense decreased \$220 million in 2002 as compared to 2001 and increased \$20 million in 2001 as compared to 2000. Minority interest expense includes expense related to regular distributions on preferred securities of Duke Energy and its subsidiaries. This expense decreased \$31 million in 2002 as compared to 2001 and increased \$39 million in 2001 as compared to 2000. The decrease in 2002 was due primarily to lower distributions related to Catawba River Associates, LLC (Catawba). Beginning in October 2002, subsequent costs associated with this financing have been classified as interest expense. (See Financing Cash Flows and Note 14 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information related to Catawba.)

Minority interest expense as shown and discussed in the preceding business segment EBIT sections includes only minority interest expense related to EBIT of Duke Energy's joint ventures. It does not include minority interest expense related to interest and taxes of the joint ventures. Total minority interest expense related to the joint ventures (including the portion related to interest and taxes) decreased \$189 million in 2002 as compared to 2001 and \$19 million in 2001 as compared to 2000. The 2002 change was driven by decreased earnings at DETM and decreased earnings from DEFS. The 2001 decrease was due to changes in the ownership percentage of DENA's waste-to-energy plants and decreased earnings by DETM, offset slightly by increased minority interest expense for DEFS as a result of the change in ownership due to the Phillips combination.

The effective tax rate increased to 37.4% in 2002 as compared to 36.6% in 2001 primarily as a result of a non-deductible goodwill write-off of \$194 million for International Energy's European trading and marketing business and income tax reserves related to losses in Europe and South America, which may be unrealized in the future, offset by favorable foreign taxes due to the acquisition of regulated Westcoast entities; a benefit from a change in the federal tax law relating to the deduction of employee stock ownership plan dividends; and a state tax settlement finalized during 2002. The effective tax rate increased slightly to 36.6% in 2001 as compared to 36.5% in 2000.

During 2001, Duke Energy recorded a one-time net-of-tax charge of \$96 million related to the cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle for the January 1, 2001 adoption of SFAS No. 133. This charge related

to contracts that either did not meet the definition of a derivative under previous accounting guidance or do not qualify as hedge positions under new accounting requirements. (See Notes 1 and 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The selection and application of accounting policies is an important process that has developed as Duke Energy's operations change and accounting guidance evolves. Duke Energy has identified a number of critical accounting policies that require the use of significant estimates and judgments and have a material impact on its consolidated financial position and results of operations. Management bases its estimates and judgments on historical experience and on other various assumptions that they believe are reasonable at the time of application. The estimates and judgments may change as time passes and more information about Duke Energy's environment becomes available. If estimates and judgments are different than the actual amounts recorded, adjustments are made in subsequent periods to take into consideration the new information. Duke Energy discusses each of its critical accounting policies, in addition to certain less significant accounting policies, with senior members of management and the audit committee, as appropriate. Duke Energy's critical accounting policies are listed below.

Risk Management Activities

Duke Energy uses two comprehensive accounting models for its risk management activities in reporting its consolidated financial position and results of operations as required by GAAP: a fair value model and an accrual model. For the three years ended December 31, 2002, the determination as to which model was appropriate was primarily based on accounting guidance issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) and the Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF). Effective January 1, 2003, Duke Energy adopted EITF Issue No. 02-03, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and for Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities." While the implementation of such guidance will change which accounting model is used for certain of Duke Energy's transactions, the overall application of the model remains the same.

The fair value model incorporates the use of mark-to-market (MTM) accounting. Under this method, an asset or liability is recognized at fair value on the Consolidated Balance Sheets and the change in the fair value of that asset or liability is recognized in Trading and Marketing Net Margin in the Consolidated Statements of Income during the current period. While DENA is the primary business segment that uses this accounting model, International Energy, Field Services, Other Energy Services and Franchised Electric also have certain transactions subject to this model. Through December 31, 2002, Duke Energy applied MTM accounting to its derivatives, unless subject to hedge accounting or the normal purchase and normal sale exemption (as described below) and energy trading contracts, as defined by EITF Issue No. 98-10, "Accounting for Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities."

MTM accounting is applied within the context of an overall valuation framework. When available, quoted market prices are used to record a contract's fair value. However, market values for energy trading contracts may not be readily determinable because the duration of a contract exceeds the liquid activity in a particular market. If no active trading market exists for a commodity or for a contract's duration, holders of these contracts must calculate fair value using internally developed valuation techniques or models. Key components used in these valuation techniques include price curves, volatility, correlation, interest rates and tenor. Of these components, volatility and correlation are the most subjective. Internally developed valuation techniques include the use of interpolation, extrapolation and fundamental analysis in the calculation of a contract's fair value. All new and existing transactions are valued using approved valuation techniques and market data, and discounted using a London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) based interest rate. Valuation adjustments for performance and market risk, and administration costs are used to arrive at the fair value of the contract and the gain or loss ultimately recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Income. While Duke Energy uses common industry practices to

develop its valuation techniques, changes in Duke Energy's pricing methodologies or the underlying assumptions could result in significantly different fair values and income recognition.

Validation of a contract's calculated fair value is performed by the Risk Management Group. This group performs pricing model validation, back testing and stress testing of valuation techniques, and variables and price forecasts. Validation of a contract's fair value may be done by comparison to actual market activity and negotiation of collateral requirements with third parties.

Often for a derivative instrument that is initially subject to MTM accounting, Duke Energy applies either hedge accounting or the normal purchase and normal sales exemption in accordance with SFAS No. 133. The use of hedge accounting and the normal purchase and normal sales exemption provide effectively for the use of the accrual model. Under this model, there is no recognition in the Consolidated Statements of Income for changes in the fair value of a contract until the service is provided or the associated delivery period occurs.

Hedge accounting treatment is used when Duke Energy contracts to buy or sell a commodity such as natural gas at a fixed price for future delivery corresponding with anticipated physical sales or purchase of natural gas (cash flow hedge). In addition, hedge accounting treatment is used when Duke Energy holds firm commitments or asset positions and enters into transactions that "hedge" the risk that the price of natural gas or electricity may change between the contract's inception and the physical delivery date of the commodity (fair value hedge). To the extent that the fair value of the hedge instrument offsets the transaction being hedged, there is no impact to the Consolidated Statements of Income prior to settlement of the hedge. However, as not all of Duke Energy's hedges relate to the exact location being hedged a certain degree of hedge ineffectiveness may be realized in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

The normal purchases and normal sales exemption, as provided in SFAS No. 133 and interpreted by Derivative Implementation Group (DIG) Issue C15, indicates that no recognition of the contract's fair value in the consolidated financial statements is required until settlement of the contract (in Duke Energy's case, the delivery of power). Duke Energy has applied this exemption for certain contracts involving the purchase and sale of power in future periods.

Regulatory Accounting

Duke Energy accounts for its regulated operations under the provisions of SFAS No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation." As a result, Duke Energy records assets and liabilities that result from the regulated ratemaking process that would not be recorded under GAAP for non-regulated entities. Regulatory assets generally represent incurred costs that have been deferred because they are probable of future recovery in customer rates. Regulatory liabilities generally represent obligations to make refunds to customers for previous collections for costs that are not likely to be incurred. Management continually assesses whether the regulatory assets are probable of future recovery by considering factors such as applicable regulatory changes, recent rate orders to other regulated entities and the status of any pending or potential deregulation legislation. Management believes the existing regulatory assets are probable of recovery. This determination reflects the current political and regulatory climate at the state, provincial and federal levels, and is subject to change in the future. If future recovery of costs ceases to be probable, the asset write-offs would be required to be recognized in current period earnings. Total regulatory assets were \$1,662 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$1,368 million as of December 31, 2001. (See Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Depreciation Expense and Cost Capitalization Policies

Duke Energy has a significant investment in electric generation assets, as well as electric and natural gas transmission and distribution assets, including gathering and processing facilities. Duke Energy capitalizes all construction-related direct labor and material costs, as well as indirect construction costs. Indirect costs include general engineering, taxes and the costs of certain funds used in construction. The cost of funds used in

construction represents estimated debt and equity costs of capital funds necessary to finance the construction of new regulated facilities and interest on debt for new unregulated facilities. After construction is completed, Duke Energy is permitted to recover these costs for regulated facilities, plus a defined return, by including them in the rate base and in the depreciation provision.

As discussed in the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements, depreciation on Duke Energy's assets is generally computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful life of the assets. The costs of renewals and betterments that extend the useful life of property, plant and equipment are also capitalized. The cost of repairs, replacements and major maintenance projects is expensed as it is incurred.

Depreciation of regulatory assets is provided over the recovery period specified in the related legislation or regulatory agreements. Depreciation of non-regulatory assets is provided over the estimated useful life as determined by periodic studies and the technical expertise of internal consultants. The recovery period for non-regulatory assets ranges from 5 to 40 years.

The computation of depreciation expense requires judgment regarding the estimated useful lives and salvage value of assets. As circumstances warrant, depreciation estimates are reviewed to determine if any changes are needed. Such changes could involve an increase or decrease in estimated useful lives or salvage values which would impact future depreciation expense.

Impairment of Long-lived Assets

Duke Energy evaluates the carrying value of long-lived assets, excluding goodwill, when circumstances indicate the carrying value of those assets may not be recoverable under the guidance of SFAS No. 144. For long-lived assets Duke Energy determines the carrying amount is not recoverable if it exceeds the sum of estimates of the undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset. Duke Energy considers various factors when determining if impairment tests are warranted, including but not limited to:

- Significant adverse changes in legal factors or in the business climate;
- A current-period operating or cash flow loss combined with a history of operating or cash flow losses, or a projection or forecast that demonstrates continuing losses associated with the use of a long-lived asset;
- An accumulation of costs significantly in excess of the amount originally expected for the acquisition or construction of a long-lived asset;
- Significant adverse changes in the extent or manner in which an asset is used or in its physical condition;
- A significant change in the market value of an asset; and
- A current expectation that, more likely than not, an asset will be sold or otherwise disposed of before the end of its estimated useful life.

In 2002, the merchant energy portion of Duke Energy's business portfolio suffered from oversupply of merchant generation, low commodity pricing and volatility, and a steep decline in trading and marketing activity. These market challenges are continuing in 2003. As a result of the 2002 market conditions, Duke Energy suspended certain projects and abandoned other projects in this sector. The culmination of these events caused Duke Energy to evaluate the carrying values of its long-lived assets at DENA and International Energy. This analysis resulted in a \$31 million impairment charge at one of DENA's merchant power facilities. Additionally, charges of approximately \$242 million were also recorded in 2002 to write-off site development costs in California and Brazil and to partially write-down uninstalled turbines, as well as the termination of other turbines

on order. Also in 2002, a decision was made to abandon an information technology system at DENA resulting in the write-off of approximately \$24 million of previously capitalized software and related costs.

Judgment is exercised to estimate the future cash flows and the useful lives of these long-lived assets and to determine management's intent to use the assets. The sum of undiscounted cash flows is primarily dependent on forecasted commodity prices for sales of power and costs of fuel. Duke Energy incorporates current market information as well as historical, fundamental analysis and other factors into its forecasted commodity prices. While commodity prices vary from time to time, the methodology used by Duke Energy provides the best estimate of undiscounted cash flows over the long-lived asset's life. Revenues from merchant generation facilities are generally estimated by using probabilistic models that calculate the operating margin on the spread between the forward power prices and the marginal cost to dispatch the facility. Other operating expenses, including future escalation provisions, are factored into the calculation as well. Duke Energy used a probability-weighted approach for developing estimates of future cash flows to test the recoverability of its merchant generation long-lived assets. The probability-weighted approach, as introduced by FASB Concepts No. 7, "Using Cash Flow Information and Present Value in Accounting Measurements" and encouraged by SFAS No. 144, considers the likelihood of possible outcomes. Under the probability-weighted approach, alternate courses of action being considered are assigned a probability assessment with the most likely scenarios weighted higher. Alternatives include potential disposal or operation for their remaining useful lives. A change in Duke Energy's probability assessment for each scenario could have a significant impact on the estimated future cash flows. If the carrying value of the long-lived assets is not recoverable based on these estimated future cash flows, the impairment loss is measured as the excess of the asset's carrying value over its fair value. Management assesses the fair value of the long-lived assets using commonly accepted techniques including, but not limited to, recent third party comparable sales and discounted cash flow analysis.

Additionally, Duke Energy evaluated the long-lived assets at Field Services as a result of challenging market conditions, primarily lower NGL pricing in 2002. As a result, Field Services recorded \$40 million in impairment charges (\$28 million at Duke Energy's 70% share) in the fourth quarter of 2002 related to certain operating assets.

Impairment of Goodwill

Duke Energy evaluates the impairment of goodwill under SFAS No. 142. The majority of Duke Energy's goodwill relates to the acquisition of Westcoast in March 2002 and was not impaired as of December 31, 2002. As required by SFAS No. 142, Duke Energy performs an annual goodwill impairment test and updates the test if events or circumstances occur that would more likely than not reduce the fair value of a reporting unit below its carrying amount. As described above, certain sectors of Duke Energy, primarily merchant energy and Field Services, are operating in challenging market conditions. In 2002 Duke Energy recorded a goodwill impairment loss of \$194 million related to International Energy's European trading and marketing business. Significant changes in the European market and recent operating results have adversely affected Duke Energy's outlook for this business unit. The exit of key market participants and a tightening of credit requirements are the primary drivers of this revised outlook. To determine the amount of the impairment, management estimated the fair value of the assets and operations using the present value of expected future cash flows of the reporting unit in comparison to its carrying value. As a result, substantially all of the goodwill related to the European operations was written-off. There were no other goodwill impairments recorded in 2002. As the challenging market conditions continue into 2003, in addition to performing the annual goodwill impairment analysis required by SFAS No. 142, management will continue to remain alert for any indicators that the fair value of a reporting unit could be below book value and assess goodwill for impairment as appropriate.

As of the acquisition date, Duke Energy allocates goodwill to a reporting unit. Duke Energy defines a reporting unit as an operating segment or one level below. (See Note 3 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Revenue Recognition

Unbilled and Estimated Revenues. Revenues on sales of electricity are recognized when the service is provided. Revenues from electric service provided but not yet billed are estimated each month based on the difference between territorial load and the amount billed.

Revenues on sales of natural gas, natural gas transportation, storage and distribution as well as sales of petroleum products are recognized when the service is provided. Revenues related to these services provided but not yet billed are estimated each month. These estimates are generally based on contract data, regulatory information, preliminary measurements and allocations, estimated distribution usage based on historical data adjusted for heating degree days, commodity prices and preliminary throughput measurements. Final bills for the current month are billed and collected in the following month.

Percentage of Completion Contracts. Long-term contracts, primarily in Other Energy Services, are accounted for using the percentage-of-completion method. Under the percentage-of-completion method, sales and gross profit are recognized as the work is performed based on the relationship between costs incurred and total estimated costs at completion. Sales and gross profit are adjusted prospectively for revisions in estimated total contract costs and contract values. When the current estimates of total contract revenue and contract cost indicate a loss, a provision for the entire loss on the contract is recorded in that period. The provision for the loss arises because estimated cost for the contract exceeds estimated revenue.

Trading and Marketing Revenues. Duke Energy is exposed to market risks associated with commodity prices and it engages in certain transactions to mitigate this exposure. Transactions that are carried out in connection with trading activities are currently accounted for under the MTM accounting method as required by EITF Issue No. 98-10. Under this method, Duke Energy's trading contracts are recorded at fair value. Prior to settlement of any energy contract held for trading purposes, a favorable or unfavorable price movement is reported as Trading and Marketing Net Margin in the Consolidated Statements of Income. An offsetting amount is recorded as Unrealized Gains or Unrealized Losses on Mark-to-Market and Hedging Transactions in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Prices used to determine fair value reflect management's best estimates considering various factors, including quoted market prices, when available, and modeling techniques. When a contract to sell or buy is physically settled, the fair value entries are reversed and the gross amounts invoiced to the customer or due to the counterparty are included as Trading and Marketing Net Margin in the Consolidated Statements of Income. For financial settlement, the effect on the Consolidated Statements of Income is the same as physical transactions. For all contracts, the unrealized gain or loss in the Consolidated Balance Sheets is reversed and classified as a receivable or payable account until collected.

In June 2002, the EITF reached a partial consensus on Issue No. 02-03. The EITF concluded that, effective for periods ending after July 15, 2002, mark-to-market gains and losses on energy trading contracts (including those to be physically settled) must be shown on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Duke Energy had previously chosen to report certain of its energy trading contracts on a gross basis, as sales in operating revenues and to record the associated costs in operating expenses, in accordance with prevailing industry practice. The amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Income have been reclassified to conform to the 2002 presentation of recording all amounts on a net basis in operating revenues. In the calculation of net revenues, Duke Energy has continued to enhance its methodologies around the application of this complex accounting literature since the third quarter 2002 when these trading revenues were first reported on a net basis. (See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.)

In October 2002, the EITF, as part of their further deliberations on Issue No. 02-03, rescinded the consensus reached on Issue No. 98-10. As a result, all energy trading contracts that do not meet the definition of a derivative under SFAS No. 133, and trading inventories that previously had been recorded at fair values, will be recorded at their historical cost and reported on an accrual basis, resulting in the recognition of earnings or losses

at the time of contract settlement or termination. New non-derivative energy trading contracts entered into after October 25, 2002 are accounted for under the accrual accounting basis. Non-derivative energy trading contracts on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of January 1, 2003 that existed on October 25, 2002 and trading inventories that were recorded at fair values will be adjusted to historical cost via a net-of-tax and minority interest cumulative effect adjustment of \$125 million to \$175 million recorded as a reduction to first quarter 2003 earnings.

The EITF also reached a consensus in October 2002 on Issue No. 02-03 that, effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2002, gains and losses on all derivative instruments considered to be held for trading purposes should be shown on a net basis in the income statement. Gains and losses on non-derivative energy trading contracts should similarly be presented on a gross or net basis in connection with the guidance in Issue No. 99-19, "Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent." Upon application of this presentation, comparative financial statements for prior periods should be reclassified to conform to the consensus. Duke Energy is currently assessing the new net revenue presentation requirements, which will have no impact on operating income or net income.

Pension

Duke Energy and its subsidiaries maintain a non-contributory defined benefit retirement plan. It covers most U.S. employees using a cash balance formula. Under a cash balance formula, a plan participant accumulates a retirement benefit consisting of pay credits that are based upon a percentage (which may vary with age and years of service) of current eligible earnings and current interest credits. Duke Energy acquired Westcoast, including its retirement plans, on March 14, 2002.

Duke Energy accounts for its defined benefit pension plan using SFAS No. 87, "Employers' Accounting for Pensions." Under SFAS No. 87, pension income/expense is recognized on an accrual basis over employees' approximate service periods. For Duke Energy's defined benefit pension plans, it recognized income of \$27 million in 2002, income of \$9 million in 2001, and expense of \$3 million in 2000. Duke Energy expects its pension expense to be approximately \$2 million in 2003 primarily as a result of the increase in unrecognized net experience loss and the decrease in the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets. The Westcoast retirement plans recognized pension expense of \$7 million in 2002.

The fair value of Duke Energy's plan assets decreased to \$2,120 million as of September 30, 2002 from \$2,470 million as of September 30, 2001. Lower investment returns, ongoing benefit payments and declining interest rates have increased Duke Energy's plan's calculated under-funded status to \$551 million as of December 31, 2002 from \$58 million as of December 31, 2001. Funding requirements for defined benefit plans are determined by government regulations, not SFAS No. 87. No contributions to the Duke Energy plan were made in 2002, 2001 or 2000. Duke Energy does not anticipate making a contribution in 2003 for the 2002 plan year. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution to its plan in 2004 of approximately \$100 million for the 2003 plan year. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution of approximately \$10 million to the Westcoast pension plans in 2003 for the 2003 plan year. Contributions for the 2004 plan year and beyond may vary based on the actual return on the defined benefit pension plan's assets, as well as other factors.

The calculation of pension expense and Duke Energy's pension liability requires the use of assumptions. Changes in these assumptions can result in different expense and reported liability amounts, and future actual experience can differ from the assumptions. Duke Energy believes that the two most critical assumptions are the expected long-term rate of return on plan assets and the assumed discount rate.

Duke Energy assumed that its plan's assets would generate a long-term rate of return of 9.25% as of December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000. For 2003, this rate has been lowered to 8.5%. If Duke Energy had used a long-term rate of 8.5% in 2002, its pension income would have been lower by approximately \$22 million, before income taxes. Duke Energy developed its expected long-term rate of return assumption by evaluating input from

an outside actuary and pension trust consultants. Duke Energy's expected long-term rate of return on plan assets is based on a target allocation of 65% equities and 35% fixed income securities. Duke Energy's allocation as of December 31, 2002 approximated its targeted allocation. Duke Energy regularly reviews its actual asset allocation and periodically rebalances its investments to its targeted allocation when considered appropriate. The long-term rate of return for Westcoast is 7.75% for 2002 and 2003. This rate was established using actuarial consultants appropriate for the region and investment strategy.

Duke Energy discounted its future pension obligations using a rate of 6.75% as of September 30, 2002, compared to 7.25% as of September 30, 2001 and 7.5% as of September 30, 2000. Duke Energy determines the appropriate discount based on the current rates earned on long-term bonds that receive one of the two highest ratings given by a recognized rating agency. Lowering the discount rate by 0.25% (from 6.75% to 6.5%) would decrease Duke Energy's estimated 2003 pension expense by approximately \$4 million.

Future changes in plan asset returns, assumed discount rates and various other factors related to the participants in Duke Energy's pension plans will impact Duke Energy's future pension expense and liabilities. Management cannot predict with certainty what these factors will be in the future.

Contingencies

Duke Energy follows SFAS No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies," to determine accounting and disclosure requirements for contingencies. Duke Energy operates in a highly regulated environment. Governmental bodies such as the FERC, the NCUC, the PSCSC, the SEC, the Internal Revenue Service, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), the Department of Labor, the Environmental Protection Agency and others have purview over various aspects of Duke Energy's business operations and public reporting. Reserves are established when required in management's judgment and disclosures are made when appropriate regarding litigation, assessments, credit worthiness of customers or counterparties, and self-insurance exposures, among others. (See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for discussion of various contingencies.) The evaluation of these contingencies is performed by various specialists inside and outside of Duke Energy. Accounting for contingencies requires significant judgment by management regarding the estimated probabilities and ranges of exposure to potential liability. Management's assessment of Duke Energy's exposure to contingencies could change as new developments occur or more information becomes available. The outcome of the contingencies could vary significantly and could materially impact the consolidated results of operations, cash flows and financial position of Duke Energy. Management has applied its best judgment in applying SFAS No. 5 to these matters.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy had \$857 million in cash and cash equivalents compared to \$290 million as of December 31, 2001. Duke Energy's working capital was a \$137 million deficit at December 31, 2002, compared to a \$854 million deficit as of December 31, 2001. Duke Energy relies upon cash flows from operations, as well as, borrowings and the sale of assets to fund its liquidity and capital requirements. A material adverse change in operations or available financing may impact Duke Energy's ability to fund its current liquidity and capital resource requirements.

Operating Cash Flows

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4,530 million in 2002 compared to \$4,357 million in 2001, an increase of \$173 million. The increase in cash provided by operating activities was due primarily to higher cash earnings plus changes in working capital from 2001. Although net income significantly decreased in 2002 (see Results of Operation for further discussion) many of the items affecting net income were non-cash. Non-cash items affecting earnings included an increase in depreciation expense, primarily due to the acquisition of Westcoast; non-cash impairment charges for goodwill (at International Energy), project sites (primarily at DENA) and property plant and equipment; and higher deferred tax expense.

Net cash provided by operating activities was \$4,357 million in 2001 compared to \$2,011 million in 2000, an increase of \$2,346 million. The increase was due primarily to price movements in the energy commodities markets which have a direct impact on Duke Energy's use and generation of cash from operations. Earnings increase as natural gas and electricity prices move favorably with respect to contracts that Duke Energy holds. In addition, counterparties may be required to post collateral in cash or letters of credit if price moves benefit Duke Energy. This mechanism has given Duke Energy use of the cash on a short-term basis. Conversely, negative price impacts reduce earnings and may require Duke Energy to post collateral with its counterparties. Cash collateral posted by Duke Energy is included in Other Current Assets and cash collateral collected by Duke Energy is included in Other Current Liabilities in the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Duke Energy currently anticipates net cash provided by operating activities, plus the sale of assets, in 2003 to be approximately \$4,400 million. Achievement of these projected cash flows is subject to a number of factors, including, but not limited to, industry restructuring, regulatory constraints, acquisition and divestiture opportunities, market volatility, and economic trends.

Investing Cash Flows

Cash used in investing activities was \$6,809 million in 2002 compared to \$6,043 million in 2001, an increase of \$766 million. Additionally, cash used in investing activities was \$6,043 million in 2001 compared to \$4,716 million in 2000, an increase of \$1,327 million. The primary use of cash for investing activities is capital and investment expenditures, which are detailed by business segment in the following table.

Capital and Investment Expenditures by Business Segment (a)

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Franchised Electric	\$1,269	\$1,115	\$ 661
Natural Gas Transmission	2,878	748	973
Field Services	309	587	376
Duke Energy North America	2,013	3,213	1,735
International Energy	412	442	980
Other Energy Services	32	72	230
Duke Ventures	459	773	643
Other Operations(b)	(23)	90	36
Cash acquired in acquisitions	(77)	(17)	(100)
Total consolidated	<u>\$7,272</u>	<u>\$7,023</u>	<u>\$5,534</u>

(a) Amounts include the acquisition of Westcoast in 2002

(b) Amounts include deferral in the consolidation of fifty percent of the profit earned by D/FD for the construction of DENA's merchant generation plants, which is associated with Duke Energy's ownership, until the plant is sold as part of DENA's portfolio management strategy.

Capital and investment expenditures increased \$249 million in 2002 compared to 2001. The increase was due primarily to cash used in the acquisition of Westcoast of \$1,707 million, net of cash acquired (see Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) partially offset by decreases in capital expenditures and investment expenditures. Capital expenditures decreased when compared to 2001 due to a decrease in DENA's investments in generating facilities, as a result of management's revised outlook for the merchant energy portion of its business, and a decrease in acquisitions of minor businesses and assets when compared to 2001. These decreases in capital expenditures were partially offset by an increase in plant construction costs at Franchised Electric primarily due to expenditures related to environmental equipment at coal-fired plants and the Mill Creek

combustion turbine plant; and an increase in investments in property plant and equipment at Gas Transmission due to increased expansion projects in the Algonquin, ETNG, Texas Eastern and Westcoast systems, along with the M&N Pipeline expansion costs after its consolidation in 2002. Investment activities also decreased when compared to 2001, due primarily to reduced investments at Duke Ventures (primarily related to DCP) and Natural Gas Transmission's 2001 investment in a 50% interest in Gulfstream.

Capital and investment expenditures increased \$1,489 million in 2001 compared to 2000. The increase reflects additional expansion and development expenditures (primarily related to DENA's generating facilities), construction of the Mill Creek combustion turbine plant, refurbishment and upgrades to existing assets (primarily related to Franchised Electric), and minor acquisitions of businesses and assets. Also in 2001, Natural Gas Transmission invested in a 50% interest in Gulfstream. These increases were partially offset by Natural Gas Transmission's acquisition of ETNG for approximately \$390 million and of MHP for approximately \$250 million in cash, and International Energy's approximately \$280 million tender offer for Companhia de Geracao de Energia Elétrica Paranapanema (Paranapanema) in 2000.

Duke Energy's projected 2003 capital and investment expenditures are approximately \$3,000 million. Duke Energy is focusing on reducing risk and restructuring its business for future success, including opportunities to reduce further the projected capital expenditures. Duke Energy will invest in its strongest business sectors with an overall focus on positive net cash generation. Based on this goal, over 60% of projected 2003 capital expenditures are projected to be allocated to Natural Gas Transmission and Franchised Electric. Total projected capital and investment expenditures include approximately \$1,800 million for maintenance and upgrades of existing plants, pipelines, and infrastructure to serve load growth.

In June 2002, the state of North Carolina passed new clean air legislation that includes provisions that freeze electric utility rates from June 20, 2002 (the effective date of the statute) to December 31, 2007 (rate freeze period), subject to certain conditions, in order for North Carolina electric utilities, including Duke Energy, to make significant reductions in emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from the state's coal-fired power plants. (See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) As part of this legislation Duke Energy will spend an estimated total of \$1.5 billion over the next ten years to install pollution controls in its coal-fired plants. Duke Energy expects to incur approximately \$17 million of total capital costs associated with this legislation in 2003.

All projected capital and investment expenditures are subject to periodic review and revision and may vary significantly depending on a number of factors, including, but not limited to, industry restructuring, regulatory constraints, acquisition opportunities, market volatility and economic trends.

Financing Cash Flows and Liquidity

Duke Energy's consolidated capital structure as of December 31, 2002, including short-term debt, was 55% debt, 36% common equity, 5% minority interests, 3% trust preferred securities and 1% preferred stock. Fixed charges coverage ratio, calculated using SEC guidelines, was 2.1 times for 2002, 3.8 times for 2001 and 3.6 times for 2000.

Duke Energy's cash requirements for 2003 are expected to be funded by cash from operations, including the sale of assets, and to be adequate for funding capital expenditures, dividend payments and permanently retiring a portion of scheduled debt maturities. In addition, Duke Energy expects to access the capital markets as needed and also obtain some funding through common stock issuances in its InvestorDirect Choice Plan (a stock purchase and dividend reinvestment plan) and employee benefit plans. The ability to access the capital markets is dependent upon market opportunities presented, among other factors. Duke Energy does not have any material off-balance sheet financing entities or structures, except for normal operating lease arrangements and guarantee contracts (see Notes 16 and 17 to the Consolidated Financial Statements). Management believes Duke Energy has adequate financial flexibility and resources to meet its future needs.

Credit Ratings. In August 2002, Standard & Poor's (S&P) downgraded its long-term ratings for Duke Energy, Duke Capital Corporation (a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy that provides financing and credit enhancement services for its subsidiaries) and its subsidiaries (with the exception of Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, LLC and Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline, LP (collectively, M&N Pipeline) and DEFS) one ratings level, changing its outlook to Stable and leaving commercial paper ratings unchanged. S&P's actions were based principally on a reassessment of Duke Energy's consolidated creditworthiness and S&P's perceived increase in risk of energy trading and merchant generation activities. In January 2003, S&P again lowered its long-term ratings for Duke Energy, Duke Capital Corporation and its subsidiaries, with the exception of M&N Pipeline and DEFS. In addition, S&P lowered the short-term ratings for Duke Energy and Duke Capital Corporation. This action was based primarily on S&P's determination that reductions in capital and investment expenditures and planned asset divestitures will not be sufficient to provide funds needed to lower debt and reduce interest expense quickly enough to offset the impact of decreased earnings in 2002 and anticipated lower earnings in 2003. S&P concluded this action by placing Duke Energy and its subsidiaries, excluding M&N Pipeline and DEFS, on Negative Outlook citing the need to review Duke Energy's progress on its divestiture program and its need to improve certain financial measures.

In October 2002, Fitch Ratings (Fitch) downgraded its long-term ratings for Duke Energy and its long-term and short-term ratings of Duke Capital Corporation one ratings level, due primarily to Duke Energy's reduced earnings outlook for the remainder of 2002 and 2003. Fitch placed Duke Energy and its subsidiaries, with the exception of DEFS, on Negative Outlook due to the ongoing uncertainty surrounding the merchant power industry and investigations by the FERC and the SEC. In January 2003, Fitch lowered the long-term and short-term ratings of Duke Energy and the long-term ratings of Duke Capital Corporation, and also lowered the ratings of Texas Eastern and PanEnergy Corp (PanEnergy) (both wholly owned subsidiaries of Duke Energy). Those actions were based on Duke Energy's announcements that consolidated profits for 2002 and 2003 were expected to be well below previous estimates. Fitch concluded its actions leaving Duke Energy and its subsidiaries, excluding DEFS, on Negative Outlook due to the continued uncertainty of ongoing FERC and SEC investigations, and the perceived execution risk in management's plans for non-core asset dispositions over the next year.

In December 2002, Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) lowered its long-term and short-term ratings of Duke Energy, and its long-term ratings of Duke Capital Corporation, Texas Eastern and PanEnergy. Moody's actions were in response to lower actual and anticipated earnings and cash flow as a result of continued weakness in wholesale energy markets both in the U.S. and abroad. Moody's concluded its action placing Duke Energy and its subsidiaries, except M&N Pipeline and DEFS, on Negative Outlook, reflecting Moody's perceived execution risk in Duke Capital Corporation's program to strengthen its balance sheet.

The following table summarizes the credit ratings of Duke Energy, its principal funding subsidiaries and its trading and marketing subsidiary DETM, as of February 28, 2003.

Credit Ratings Summary as of February 28, 2003				
	Standard and Poors	Moody's Investor Service	Fitch Ratings	Dominion Bond Rating Service (DBRS)
Duke Energy(a)	A-	A3	A-	Not applicable
Duke Capital Corporation(a)	BBB+	Baa2	BBB	Not applicable
Duke Energy Field Services(a)	BBB	Baa2	BBB	Not applicable
Texas Eastern Transmission, LP(a)	A-	Baa1	BBB+	Not applicable
Westcoast Energy Inc.(a)	A-	Not applicable	Not applicable	A(low)
Union Gas Limited(a)	A-	Not applicable	Not applicable	A
Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline, LLC(b)	A	A1	Not applicable	Not applicable
Maritimes and Northeast Pipeline, LP(b)	A	A1	Not applicable	A
Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, LLC(c)	BBB	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

(a) Represents senior unsecured credit rating

(b) Represents senior secured credit rating

(c) Represents corporate credit rating

Duke Energy's credit ratings are dependent on, among other factors, the ability to generate sufficient cash to fund Duke Energy's capital and investment expenditures and dividends, while strengthening the balance sheet through debt reductions. If, as a result of market conditions or other factors affecting Duke Energy's business, Duke Energy is unable to execute its business plan, including disposition of non-core assets, or if Duke Energy's earnings outlook deteriorates, Duke Energy's ratings could be further affected.

The impacts of the credit rating downgrades to date have been minimal on Duke Energy and its subsidiaries. If further downgrades were to occur and to the extent that these downgrades placed certain of the entities (primarily DETM and DEFS) below investment grade, there could be a negative impact on that entity's working capital and terms of trade.

Significant Financing Activities. During 2002, Duke Energy issued \$2,110 million of senior unsecured notes: \$750 million of 6.25% senior unsecured notes due in 2012, \$250 million of floating rate (based on the three-month LIBOR plus 0.35%) senior unsecured notes due in 2005, \$250 million of 6.60% retail senior unsecured notes due in 2022 (swapped to floating rate based on the three-month LIBOR), \$350 million of 6.45% senior unsecured notes due in 2032, \$110 million of 4.61% senior unsecured notes due in 2007 and \$400 million of 5.625% senior unsecured notes due in 2012. In addition, Duke Energy refinanced \$250 million of senior unsecured debt with a short-term private debt securities offering. The proceeds from these issuances were used primarily for general corporate purposes, to repay the \$250 million of private debt securities, to redeem \$100 million of Duke Energy's 7.5% Series B first and refunding mortgage bonds due in 2025, to repay commercial paper and to repay a \$600 million intercompany loan from Duke Capital Corporation.

In 2002, Duke Capital Corporation issued \$500 million of 6.25% senior unsecured notes due in 2013 and \$250 million of 6.75% senior unsecured notes due in 2032. In addition, Duke Capital Corporation, through private placement transactions, issued \$500 million of floating rate (based on the one-month LIBOR plus 0.65%) senior unsecured notes due in 2003 and \$100 million of floating rate (based on the one-month LIBOR plus 0.85%) senior unsecured notes due in 2004. The proceeds from these issuances were used for general corporate purposes and to repay commercial paper. Additionally, Duke Capital Corporation decreased its note payable to D/FD by \$286 million, to \$282 million as of December 31, 2002. The weighted-average interest rate on this note for 2002 was 2.5%. (See Notes 8 and 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

In 2002, a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy, Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd., closed a syndicated bank debt facility for 900 million Australian dollars (U.S. \$450 million) with various banks to fund its pipeline and power businesses in Australia. The facility includes a Duke Capital Corporation-guaranteed tranche and a non-recourse project finance tranche that is secured by liens over existing Australian pipeline assets. Proceeds from the project finance tranche were used to repay intercompany loans.

During 2002, Texas Eastern issued \$300 million of 5.25% senior unsecured notes due in 2007 and \$450 million of 7.0% senior unsecured notes due in 2032. The proceeds from these issuances were used for general corporate purposes, including the repayment of debt which matured in 2002, and for pipeline expansion and maintenance projects.

In 2002, Algonquin Gas Transmission Company, a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy, through a private placement transaction, issued \$300 million of 5.69% senior unsecured notes due in 2012. The proceeds from this issuance were used for general corporate purposes, including repayment of maturing debt and for pipeline expansion and maintenance projects.

In 2002, ETNG, a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy, through a private placement transaction, issued \$150 million of 5.71% senior unsecured notes due in 2012. The proceeds from this issuance were used for general corporate purposes and for pipeline expansion and maintenance projects.

During 2002, Union Gas, issued 200 million Canadian dollars (U.S. \$128 million) of 5.19% debentures due in 2007. The proceeds from this issuance were used for general corporate purposes, including repayment of maturing debt, repayment of commercial paper and funding of capital expenditures.

In February 2003, Duke Energy issued \$500 million of 3.75% five-year first and refunding mortgage bonds due in 2008 in a private placement transaction exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act). The bonds are subject to a registration agreement, whereby Duke Energy has agreed to register an exchange with the holders of identical bonds under the Securities Act. The proceeds from this issuance were used to repay short-term debt, replace \$100 million of Duke Energy's first and refunding mortgage bonds that matured in February 2003, to repay approximately \$200 million of an intercompany loan from Duke Capital Corporation and for general corporate purposes.

Additionally, Duke Energy redeemed all of its Auction Series A preferred stock during 2002. The total redemption price was approximately \$75 million.

In 2000, Catawba, a fully consolidated financing entity managed by a subsidiary of Duke Energy, issued \$1,025 million of preferred member interests to a third-party investor. The proceeds from the non-controlling investor were reflected on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Minority Interest in Financing Subsidiary and were subsequently advanced to DE Power Generation, LLC (DEPG), a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy. In September 2002, Catawba distributed the receivable from DEPG to the preferred member, THOR Investors, LLC (THOR), which simultaneously withdrew its interest. As a result, the \$1,025 million that DEPG previously owed to Catawba became an obligation to THOR and was reclassified on the 2002 Consolidated Balance Sheet to Long-term Debt. In October 2002, Duke Energy purchased the equity interests in THOR and effectively reduced the debt to \$994 million. Additionally, Duke Capital Corporation financially guaranteed the \$994 million in return for certain modifications to the terms of the credit agreement.

On March 14, 2002, Duke Energy acquired Westcoast for approximately \$8 billion, including the assumption of \$4.7 billion of debt. The assumed debt consists of debt of Westcoast, Union Gas and various project entities that are wholly owned or consolidated by Duke Energy. The interest rates on the assumed debt range from 1.8% to 15.0%, with maturity dates ranging from 2002 through 2031. In addition to the debt assumed, as of December 31, 2002, Westcoast and Union Gas had operating credit facilities of 450 million Canadian dollars (U.S. \$285 million) and 600 million Canadian dollars (U.S. \$380 million), respectively. Borrowings under the Union Gas credit facility are subject to and dependent on the senior unsecured rating of Union Gas, rated A by DBRS and A- by S&P as of February 28, 2003. For the Union Gas credit facility, no material adverse change can be declared if Union Gas maintains a rating of BBB or greater by either DBRS or S&P. Any outstanding debt would not become due and payable as a result of a change in its ratings.

In the transaction, a Duke Energy subsidiary acquired all of the outstanding common shares of Westcoast in exchange for approximately \$1.7 billion in cash (net of cash acquired) and approximately 49.9 million shares of Duke Energy common stock (including exchangeable shares of a Duke Energy Canadian subsidiary that are substantially equivalent to and exchangeable on a one-for-one basis for Duke Energy common stock). The value of the Duke Energy common stock issued was approximately \$1.7 billion and was determined based on the average market price of Duke Energy's common shares over the two-day period before and after the terms of the transaction became fixed, in accordance with EITF No. 99-12, "Determination of the Measurement Date for the Market Price of Acquirer Securities Issued in a Purchase Business Combination." Under prorating provisions of the acquisition agreement that ensured that approximately 50% of the total consideration was paid in cash and 50% in stock, each common share of Westcoast entitled the holder to elect to receive 43.80 in Canadian dollars, or either 0.7711 of a share of Duke Energy common stock or of an exchangeable share of a Duke Energy Canadian subsidiary, or a combination thereof. The cash portion of the consideration was funded with the proceeds from the issuance of \$750 million in mandatory convertible securities in November 2001 (see Note 18 to the Consolidated Financial Statements) along with incremental commercial paper. The commercial paper was repaid using the proceeds from a public offering of 54.5 million shares of common stock at \$18.35 per share. The

shares from the public offering were issued in October 2002 and the proceeds were approximately \$1.0 billion, before underwriting commissions and other offering expenses. The Westcoast acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method of accounting, and goodwill totaling approximately \$2.3 billion was recorded in the transaction. (See Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Credit Facilities and Related Borrowings. The following table summarizes Duke Energy's credit facilities and related amounts outstanding as of December 31, 2002. The majority of the credit facilities support commercial paper programs. The issuance of commercial paper, letters of credit and other borrowings reduces the amount available under the credit facilities. Amounts related to outstanding commercial paper and other borrowings in the following table are included in the long-term debt table presented in Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

Credit Facilities Summary as of December 31, 2002

	Expiration Date	Credit Facilities Available	Amounts Outstanding			
			Commercial Paper	Letters of Credit	Other Borrowings	Total
			(in millions)			
Duke Energy						
\$475 364-Day syndicated(a)(b)	August 2003					
\$475 Multi-year syndicated(a)(b)	August 2004					
Total Duke Energy		\$ 950	\$ 882	\$ —	\$ —	\$ 882
Duke Capital Corporation						
\$500 Temporary bilateral(b)(c)	June 2003					
\$700 364-Day syndicated(a)(b)(c)	August 2003					
\$500 364-Day syndicated letter of credit(a)(b)(c)	April 2003					
\$142 364-Day bilateral(a)(b)(c)	August 2003					
\$550 Multi-year syndicated(a)(b)(c)	August 2004					
\$538 Multi-year syndicated letter of credit(b)(c)	April 2004					
Total Duke Capital Corporation . . .		2,930	570	580	—	1,150
Westcoast Energy Inc.						
\$158 364-Day syndicated(a)(b)	December 2003					
\$127 Two-year syndicated(b)	December 2004					
Total Westcoast Energy Inc.(d)		285	57	—	—	57
Union Gas Limited						
\$380 364-Day syndicated(e)	July 2003	380	124	—	—	124
Duke Energy Field Services, LLC						
\$650 364-Day syndicated(a)(f)	March 2003	650	215	—	—	215
Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd.						
\$198 364-Day syndicated(g)	February 2003					
\$177 Multi-year syndicated	February 2005					
Total Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd.(h)		375	182		128	310
Total		\$5,570	\$2,030	\$580	\$128	\$2,738

- (a) Credit facility contains an option allowing up to the full amount of the facility to be borrowed on the day of initial expiration for up to a one-year period.
- (b) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 65%.
- (c) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization interest coverage (excluding mark-to-market earnings) of two and a half times or greater. In February 2003, the covenants related to the credit facility have been amended to clarify certain non-cash exclusions.
- (d) Credit facilities are denominated in Canadian dollars, and totaled 450 million Canadian dollars as of December 31, 2002.
- (e) Credit facility contains an option allowing up to 50% of the amount of the facility to be borrowed on the day of initial expiration for up to a one-year period. As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 75%. Credit facility is denominated in Canadian dollars, and was 600 million Canadian dollars as of December 31, 2002.
- (f) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 53%.
- (g) In February 2003, the expiration date of the credit facility was extended to March 2003.
- (h) Credit facilities guaranteed by Duke Capital Corporation. Credit facilities are denominated in Australian dollars, and totaled 662 million Australian dollars as of December 31, 2002.

Existing bank credit facilities as of December 31, 2002 are not subject to minimum cash requirements. In addition, in October 2002, Duke Energy secured an option to borrow up to \$500 million in February 2003 for a period ending no later than November 2003. In February 2003, this option was amended to allow Duke Energy to borrow up to \$250 million between June 30, 2003 and August 29, 2003. Any amounts borrowed would be due no later than March 31, 2004. Also, Duke Energy is currently maintaining a minimum cash position of \$500 million at Duke Capital Corporation to be used for short-term liquidity needs. This cash position is invested in highly rated, liquid, short-term money market securities.

Duke Energy has approximately \$3,700 million of credit facilities which mature in 2003. It is Duke Energy's intent to reduce its need for these facilities as the year progresses and thus resyndicate less than the total \$3,700 million.

Duke Energy's credit agreements contain various financial and other covenants. Failure to meet those covenants beyond applicable grace periods could result in acceleration of due dates of the borrowings and/or termination of the agreements. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy was in compliance with those covenants. In addition, certain of the agreements contain cross-acceleration provisions that may allow acceleration of payments or termination of the agreements upon nonpayment or acceleration of other significant indebtedness of the applicable borrower or certain of its subsidiaries.

Other Financing Matters. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy and its subsidiaries had effective SEC shelf registrations for up to \$1,140 million in gross proceeds from debt and other securities. Subsequent to December 31, 2002, these SEC shelf registrations have been increased to \$2,500 million. In addition, as of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy had access to 950 million Canadian dollars (U.S. \$602 million) available under Canadian shelf registrations for issuances in the Canadian market.

In 2000, Duke Energy issued \$250 million of 7.125% senior unsecured bonds due in 2012, with a put option that gave investors the choice to put the bond to Duke Energy at par value in September 2002 or extend the maturity until 2012. In September 2002, Duke Energy refinanced the senior unsecured bonds with private debt securities and paid approximately \$43 million to buy back the option to extend the maturity of the bonds. The private debt securities were subsequently repaid in October 2002 by the issuance of \$350 million of 6.45% senior unsecured notes due in 2032. The cost of the option will be amortized over the life of the \$350 million senior unsecured notes.

In 2000, Duke Capital Corporation issued \$150 million senior unsecured bonds due in 2003 that may be required to be repaid if Duke Capital Corporation's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB at S&P or Baa2 at Moody's. Additionally, \$21 million of Duke Energy's senior unsecured notes which mature serially through 2011 may be required to be repaid if Duke Energy's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB- at S&P or Baa3 at Moody's, and \$33 million of Duke Energy's senior unsecured notes which mature serially through 2016 may be required to be repaid if Duke Energy's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB at S&P or Baa2 at Moody's. As of February 28, 2003, Duke Energy's senior unsecured credit rating was A- at S&P and A3 at Moody's, and Duke Capital Corporation's senior unsecured credit rating was BBB+ at S&P and Baa2 at Moody's.

Duke Energy's Board of Directors adopted a dividend policy in 2000 that maintains dividends at the current quarterly rate of \$0.275 per share, subject to the discretion after determination of the Board of Directors. Duke Energy has paid quarterly cash dividends for 76 consecutive years. Dividends on common and preferred stocks in 2003 are expected to be paid on March 17, June 16, September 16 and December 16, subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Duke Energy's InvestorDirect Choice Plan, allows investors to reinvest dividends in new issuances of common stock and to purchase common stock directly from Duke Energy. Issuances under this plan were \$105 million in 2002, \$100 million in 2001 and \$86 million in 2000.

Duke Energy also sponsors employee savings plans that cover substantially all employees. Issuances of common stock under these plans were \$188 million in 2002, \$170 million in 2001 and \$57 million in 2000. Duke Energy also issues authorized but unissued shares of its common stock to meet other employee benefit requirements. Issuances of common stock to meet other employee benefit requirements were approximately \$50 million to \$60 million each year for 2002, 2001 and 2000. This practice is expected to continue in 2003. (See Notes 19 and 20 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information on stock-based compensation and employee benefit plans.)

Additionally, no contributions to the Duke Energy defined benefit pension plan were made in 2002, 2001 or 2000. Duke Energy does not anticipate making a contribution in 2003 for the 2002 plan year. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution to its non-contributory defined benefit pension plan in 2004 of approximately \$100 million for the 2003 plan year. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution of approximately \$10 million to the Westcoast pension plans in 2003 for the 2003 plan year. Contributions for the 2004 plan year and beyond may vary based on the actual return on the defined benefit pension plan's assets, as well as other factors.

Contractual Obligations and Commercial Commitments

As part of its normal business, Duke Energy is a party to various financial guarantees, performance guarantees and other contractual commitments to extend guarantees of credit and other assistance to various subsidiaries, investees and other third parties. These arrangements are largely entered into by Duke Capital Corporation. To varying degrees, these guarantees involve elements of performance and credit risk, which are not included on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The possibility of Duke Energy or Duke Capital Corporation having to honor its contingencies is largely dependent upon future operations of various subsidiaries, investees and other third parties, or the occurrence of certain future events. Duke Energy would record a liability if events occurred that required that one be established. (See Note 17 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for more information on financial guarantees.)

In addition, Duke Energy enters into various fixed-price, non-cancelable commitments to purchase or sell power (tolling arrangements or power purchase contracts), take-or-pay arrangements, transportation or throughput agreements and other contracts that may or may not be recognized on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Some of these arrangements may be recognized at market value on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as trading contracts or qualifying hedge positions included in Unrealized Gains or Losses on Mark-to-Market and Hedging Transactions.

The following table summarizes Duke Energy's contractual cash obligations for each of the years presented.

Contractual Cash Obligations

	Payments Due					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Thereafter
	(in millions)					
Long-term debt (a)	\$1,315	\$1,296	\$2,713	\$2,345	\$ 707	\$12,835
Capital leases (a)	14	15	15	145	17	133
Preferred securities (b)	2	2	2	2	2	1,423
Operating leases (c)	81	63	43	27	21	48
Firm capacity payments (d)	632	418	364	298	236	1,298
Purchase commitments (e)	668	376	272	151	113	402
Other (f)	309	8	3	1	1	—
Total contractual cash obligations	<u>\$3,021</u>	<u>\$2,178</u>	<u>\$3,412</u>	<u>\$2,969</u>	<u>\$1,097</u>	<u>\$16,139</u>

(a) See Note 11 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

(b) See Notes 13 and 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

(c) See Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

(d) Includes firm capacity payments that provide Duke Energy with uninterrupted firm access to natural gas transportation and storage, electricity transmission capacity, and the option to convert natural gas to electricity at third-party owned facilities (tolling arrangements) in some natural gas and power locations throughout North America. Also includes firm capacity payments under electric power agreements entered into to meet Duke Power native load requirements and firm transmission capacity on other systems purchased for the transport of electricity sold at wholesale rates. Amounts exclude transmission capacity purchased by the Duke Power wholesale merchant function on the Duke Power transmission system, which is eliminated in consolidation.

(e) Amounts include purchase commitments for nuclear fuel supply contracts, power purchases, natural gas, coal, splitter agreements, terminaling fees for residual fuel, refined fuel and coal, and contracts for software, telephone, data and wireless services. Amounts also reflect Duke Energy's renegotiated obligations as of December 2002 to purchase gas-fired turbines, steam turbines and heat recovery steam generators (HRSG). Firm commitments under the turbine and HRSG purchase agreements are payable consistent with the respective delivery schedule of each project. Purchase agreements include milestone requirements by the manufacturer and provide Duke Energy with the ability to cancel the discrete purchase order commitment in exchange for a termination fee, which escalates over time.

(f) Amounts include engineering, procurement and construction costs for power generation facilities in North America. Such amounts are payable to D/FD, a related party in which Duke Energy has a 50% equity interest, and are excluded from the Consolidated Balance Sheets since Duke Energy accounts for D/FD using the equity method of accounting. Amounts also include engineering, procurement and construction costs for power generation facilities in Guatemala.

The following table summarizes the commercial commitments in effect as of December 31, 2002 by expiration date.

Commercial Commitments

(see Note 17)	Total Amounts Committed	Amount of Commitment Expiring Each Period					
		2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Thereafter
		(in millions)					
Guarantees of obligations of non-wholly owned affiliates . .	\$1,006	\$400	\$54	\$ 2	\$ 11	\$3	\$536
Surety and bid bonds(a)(b)	268	247	19	—	—	2	—
Letters of credit(b)	<u>753</u>	<u>709</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

(a) Surety bonds are contractual agreements issued by a surety company and back up Duke Energy's obligations to a third party. Bid bonds are issued to project owners and are subject to full or partial forfeiture for failure to perform obligations arising from a successful bid.

(b) Includes obligations of consolidated subsidiaries.

Duke Capital Corporation has guaranteed the issuance of surety bonds, which obligates itself to a surety to make payment upon the failure of another entity to honor its obligations to a third party. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Capital Corporation had guaranteed approximately \$270 million of surety and bid bonds outstanding related to obligations of other entities, including wholly owned subsidiaries.

QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

Risk and Accounting Policies

Duke Energy is exposed to market risks associated with commodity prices, credit exposure, interest rates, equity prices and foreign currency exchange rates. Management has established comprehensive risk management policies to monitor and manage these market risks. Duke Energy's Risk Management Committee is responsible for the overall approval of market risk management policies and the delegation of approval and authorization levels. The Risk Management Committee is composed of senior executives who receive periodic updates from the Chief Risk Officer (CRO) and other members of management, on market risk positions, corporate exposures, credit exposures and overall risk management activities. The CRO is responsible for the overall management of credit risk and commodity price risk, including monitoring exposure limits.

See Critical Accounting Policies—Risk Management Activities for further discussion of the accounting of energy trading contracts and derivatives.

Commodity Price Risk

Duke Energy, substantially through its subsidiaries, is exposed to the impact of market fluctuations in the price of natural gas, electricity and other energy-related products marketed and purchased as a result of its ownership of energy related assets and proprietary trading activities. Duke Energy employs established policies and procedures to manage its risks associated with these market fluctuations using various commodity derivatives, including forward contracts, futures, swaps and options for trading purposes and for activity other than trading activity (primarily hedge strategies). (See Notes 1 and 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Trading. The risk in the trading portfolio is measured and monitored on a daily basis utilizing a Value-at-Risk model to determine the potential one-day favorable or unfavorable Daily Earnings at Risk (DER) as described below. DER is monitored daily in comparison to established thresholds. Other measures are also used to limit and monitor risk in the trading portfolio (which includes all trading contracts not designated as hedge positions) on monthly and annual bases. These measures include limits on the nominal size of positions and periodic loss limits.

DER computations are based on historical simulation, which uses price movements over an eleven day period. The historical simulation emphasizes the most recent market activity, which is considered the most relevant predictor of immediate future market movements for natural gas, electricity and other energy-related products. DER computations use several key assumptions, including a 95% confidence level for the resultant price movement and the holding period specified for the calculation. Duke Energy's DER amounts for instruments held for trading purposes are shown in the following table.

Daily Earnings at Risk

	Estimated Average One-Day Impact on EBIT for 2002	Estimated Average One-Day Impact on EBIT for 2001	High One-Day Impact on EBIT for 2002	Low One-Day Impact on EBIT for 2002
	(in millions)			
Calculated DER	\$14	\$21	\$24	\$8

DER is an estimate based on historical price volatility. Actual volatility can exceed assumed results. DER also assumes a normal distribution of price changes; thus, if the actual distribution is not normal, the DER may understate or overstate actual results. DER is used to estimate the risk of the entire portfolio, and for locations that do not have daily trading activity, it may not accurately estimate risk due to limited price information. Stress tests are employed in addition to DER to measure risk where market data information is limited. In the current DER methodology, options are modeled in a manner equivalent to forward contracts which may understate the risk.

Duke Energy's exposure to commodity price risk is influenced by a number of factors, including contract size, length, market liquidity, location and unique or specific contract terms. The following table illustrates the movements in the fair value of Duke Energy's trading instruments during 2002.

Changes in Fair Value of Trading Contracts

	<u>(in millions)</u>
Fair value of contracts outstanding at the beginning of the year	\$1,069
Contracts realized or otherwise settled during the year	(150)
Fair value of contracts when entered into during the year	133
Net premiums received for new option contracts during the period	(14)
Changes in fair value amounts attributable to changes in valuation techniques(a)	73
Other changes in fair values(b)	<u>(622)</u>
Fair value of contracts outstanding at the end of the year	<u>\$ 489</u>

- (a) Amount represents change in the fair value of the mark-to-market portfolio as a result of applying improved valuation modeling techniques. During 2002, Duke Energy refined its definition of a change in valuation technique to exclude changes in methodologies used to estimate market inputs which are not readily observable. Changes in such methodologies, subsequent to this refinement, are included in other changes in fair values.
- (b) Amount primarily represents changes in the fair value of unrealized contracts due to forward commodity price movements during the year.

When available, quoted market prices are used to record a contract's fair value. However, market values for energy trading contracts may not be readily determinable because the duration of the contracts exceeds the liquid activity in a particular market. If no active trading market exists for a commodity or for a contract's duration, holders of these contracts must calculate fair value using internally developed valuation techniques or models. Key components used in these valuation techniques include price curves, volatility, correlation, interest rates and tenor. Of these components, volatility and correlation are the most subjective. Internally developed valuation techniques include the use of interpolation, extrapolation, and fundamental analysis in the calculation of a contract's fair value. All new and existing transactions are valued using approved valuation techniques and market data and discounted using a LIBOR-based interest rate. Valuation adjustments for performance and market risk, and administration costs are used to adjust the fair value of the contract to the gain or loss ultimately recognized in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Validation of a contract's fair value is performed by the Risk Management Group, an internal group independent of Duke Energy's trading areas. This group performs pricing model validation, back testing and stress testing of valuation techniques, variables and price forecasts consistent with GAAP. Validation of a contract's fair value may be by comparison to actual market activity and through negotiation of collateral requirements with third parties. While Duke Energy uses common industry practices to develop its valuation techniques, changes in Duke Energy's pricing methodologies or the underlying assumptions could result in significantly different fair values and income recognition.

The following table shows the fair value of Duke Energy's trading portfolio as of December 31, 2002.

<u>Sources of Fair Value</u>	<u>Fair Value of Trading Contracts as of December 31, 2002</u>				
	<u>Maturity in 2003</u>	<u>Maturity in 2004</u>	<u>Maturity in 2005</u> (in millions)	<u>Maturity in 2006 and Thereafter</u>	<u>Total Fair Value</u>
Prices supported by quoted market prices and other external sources	\$46	\$ 99	\$ (6)	\$ 15	\$154
Prices based on models and other valuation methods	9	(15)	29	312	335
Total	<u>\$55</u>	<u>\$ 84</u>	<u>\$23</u>	<u>\$327</u>	<u>\$489</u>

The "prices supported by quoted market prices and other external sources" category includes Duke Energy's New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) futures positions in natural gas and crude oil. The NYMEX has currently quoted prices for the next 32 months. In addition, this category includes Duke Energy's forward positions and options in natural gas and power and natural gas basis swaps at points for which over-the-counter (OTC) broker quotes are available. On average, OTC quotes for natural gas and power forwards and swaps extend 22 and 32 months into the future, respectively. OTC quotes for natural gas and power options extend 12 months into the future, on average. Duke Energy values these positions against internally developed forward market price curves that are constantly validated and recalibrated against OTC broker quotes. This category also includes "strip" transactions whose prices are obtained from external sources and then modeled to daily or monthly prices as appropriate.

The "prices based on models and other valuation methods" category includes (i) the value of options not quoted by an exchange or OTC broker, (ii) the value of transactions for which an internally developed price curve was constructed as a result of the long dated nature of the transaction or the illiquidity of the market point, and (iii) the value of structured transactions. In certain instances structured transactions can be decomposed and modeled by Duke Energy as simple forwards and options based on prices actively quoted. Although the valuation of the simple structures might not be different from the valuation of contracts in other categories, the effective model price for any given period is a combination of prices from two or more different instruments and therefore have been included in this category due to the complex nature of these transactions. Many of the contracts in the "prices based on models and other valuation methods" category, such as transportation and storage contracts, are not derivatives as defined by SFAS No. 133. As a result, following the adoption of EITF Issue No. 02-03 in January 2003, these contracts will be accounted for using the accrual method of accounting and a significant decrease in the reported fair value of trading contracts will occur.

Duke Energy's trading portfolio valuation adjustments for performance, market risk and administration costs are reflected in the above amounts.

Hedging Strategies. Some Duke Energy subsidiaries are exposed to market fluctuations in the prices of energy commodities related to their power generating and natural gas gathering, processing and marketing activities. Duke Energy closely monitors the risks associated with these commodity price changes on its future operations and, where appropriate, uses various commodity instruments such as electricity, natural gas, crude oil and NGL forward contracts to hedge the value of its assets and operations from such price risks. In accordance with SFAS No. 133, Duke Energy's primary use of energy commodity derivatives is to hedge the output and production of assets it physically owns. Contract terms are up to 15 years, and contracts with terms extending several years are generally valued using models and assumptions developed internally or by industry standards. These contracts are designated and qualify as effective hedge positions of future cash flows, or fair values of assets owned by Duke Energy.

Duke Energy also engages in the economic hedging of other contractual assets such as transportation and storage of gas. For the three years ended December 31, 2002, such hedging activity was not recorded pursuant to SFAS No. 133 because of the broad fair value accounting model in the FASB's and the EITF's rules during that period. The hedge and the hedged item were both accounted for using MTM accounting. However, in connection with the adoption of EITF Issue No. 02-03 in January 2003, Duke Energy anticipates that many of these former hedge relationships will be designated as hedges for accounting purposes in accordance with SFAS No. 133.

To the extent that the hedge instrument offsets the transaction being hedged, there is no impact to the Consolidated Statements of Income but changes in fair values will result in changes in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and the Consolidated Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income. Accordingly, assumptions and valuation techniques for these contracts have no impact on reported earnings or cash flows prior to settlement. The unrealized gains or losses on these contracts are deferred in Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) for cash flow hedges and included in Other Current or Noncurrent Assets or Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets for fair value hedges of firm commitments, in accordance with SFAS No. 133. Amounts deferred in OCI are realized in earnings concurrently with the transaction being hedged. (See Notes 1 and 7 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) However, in instances where the hedging contract no longer qualifies for hedge accounting, amounts included in OCI through the date of de-designation remain in OCI until the underlying transaction actually occurs. The derivative contract (if continued as an open position) will be marked to market currently through earnings. Several factors influence the effectiveness of a hedge contract, including counterparty credit risk and using contracts with different commodities or unmatched terms. Hedge effectiveness is monitored regularly and measured each month. To the extent hedge contracts are deemed ineffective, as defined by SFAS No. 133, the impact may increase or decrease earnings.

In addition to the hedge contracts described above and recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheets, Duke Energy enters into other contracts that qualify for the normal purchases and sales exemption described in Paragraph 10 of SFAS No. 133 and DIG Issue No. C15. These contracts, generally forward agreements to sell power, bear the same counterparty credit risk as the hedge contracts described above. Under the same credit risk reduction guidelines used for other contracts, normal purchases and sales contracts are also subject to collateral requirements. Income recognition and realization related to these contracts coincide with the physical delivery of power.

Based on a sensitivity analysis as of December 31, 2002, it was estimated that a difference of one cent per gallon in the average price of NGLs in 2003 would have a corresponding effect on EBIT of approximately \$7 million (at Duke Energy's 70% ownership), after considering the effect of Duke Energy's commodity hedge positions. Comparatively, the same sensitivity analysis as of December 31, 2001 estimated that EBIT would have changed by approximately \$6 million in 2002. Based on a sensitivity analysis performed on DENA's managed merchant generation fleet and associated natural gas transportation contracts, with both modeled as options, a \$1 change in spark spread (defined as the price realized for power less the cost of fuel for that power) would not be expected to have a material impact on EBIT for 2003 as of December 31, 2002, or 2002 as of December 31, 2001. The effect on EBIT for 2003 or 2002 was also not expected to be material as of December 31, 2002 or 2001 for exposures to other commodities' price changes. These hypothetical calculations consider existing hedge positions and estimated production levels, but do not consider other potential effects that might result from such changes in commodity prices.

North American Merchant Generation

As of December 31, 2002, the merchant generation facilities in North America owned or operated by Duke Energy represented 12,734 net megawatts (MW), after considering other parties' ownership interests. This excludes 1,423 net MW, associated with facilities which are not currently managed directly by DENA. Facilities scheduled for completion during 2003 represent an additional 1,860 net MW. The managed merchant generation fleet total of 14,594 net MW (inclusive of the 1,860 net MW related to facilities scheduled for completion during 2003), consists of 13 combined cycle units representing 10,361 net MW and seven simple cycle (peaker) units representing 4,233 net MW. For more information on the North American merchant generation facilities, see Part I, Item 2—Properties.

As of December 31, 2002, the estimated available production from the merchant generation fleet for 2003 was approximately 89 million megawatt hours (Mwh), which consists of approximately 70 million Mwh for the combined cycle units and approximately 19 million Mwh for the peaker units. As of December 31, 2002, estimated production from the merchant generation fleet for 2003 was approximately 27 million Mwh for the combined cycle units and approximately 1 million Mwh for the peaker units. As of December 31, 2002, the estimated production from the managed merchant generation fleet that was hedged was 102% for 2003, 79% for 2004 and 64% for 2005 at average prices per Mwh of \$51 for 2003, \$44 for 2004 and \$39 for 2005.

Credit Risk

Duke Energy's principal customers for power and natural gas marketing and transportation services are industrial end-users, marketers, local distribution companies and utilities located throughout the U.S., Canada, Asia Pacific, Europe and Latin America. Duke Energy has concentrations of receivables from natural gas and electric utilities and their affiliates, as well as industrial customers and marketers throughout these regions. These concentrations of customers may affect Duke Energy's overall credit risk in that risk factors can negatively impact the credit quality of the entire sector. Where exposed to credit risk, Duke Energy analyzes the counterparties' financial condition prior to entering into an agreement, establishes credit limits and monitors the appropriateness of those limits on an ongoing basis.

Duke Energy frequently uses master collateral agreements to mitigate certain credit exposures, primarily in its trading and marketing operations. The collateral agreements provide for a counterparty to post cash or letters of credit for exposure in excess of the established threshold. The threshold amount represents an unsecured credit limit, determined in accordance with the corporate credit policy. The collateral agreement also provides that the inability to post collateral is sufficient cause to terminate a contract and liquidate all positions.

Natural Gas Transmission and Field Services also obtain cash or letters of credit from customers, where appropriate, based on their financial analysis of the customer and the regulatory or contractual terms and conditions applicable to each transaction.

Collateral amounts held or posted may be fixed or may vary depending on the value of the underlying contracts and cover trading, normal purchases and normal sales, and hedging contracts outstanding. Duke Energy may be required to return certain held collateral and post additional collateral should price movements adversely impact the value of open contracts or positions. In many cases, Duke Energy's and its counterparties' publicly disclosed credit ratings impact the amounts of additional collateral to be posted. Recent downgrades in Duke Energy's affiliates' credit ratings resulted in Duke Energy posting more collateral with counterparties, and any further downgrade could require the posting of additional collateral. Likewise, downgrades in credit ratings of counterparties could require counterparties to post additional collateral to Duke Energy. (See Liquidity and Capital Resources—Financing Cash Flows and Liquidity for additional discussion of downgrades.)

The change in market value of NYMEX-traded futures and options contracts requires daily cash settlement in margin accounts with brokers. Financial derivatives are generally cash settled periodically throughout the contract term. However, these transactions are also generally subject to margin agreements with many of Duke Energy's counterparties.

Following the bankruptcy of Enron, Duke Energy terminated substantially all contracts with Enron. As a result, in 2001 Duke Energy recorded, as a charge, a non-collateralized accounting exposure of \$43 million. The \$43 million non-collateralized accounting exposure was composed of charges of \$24 million at Other Energy Services, \$12 million at DENA, \$3 million at International Energy, \$3 million at Field Services and \$1 million at Natural Gas Transmission. These amounts were stated on a pre-tax basis as charges against the reporting segment's earnings in 2001.

Duke Energy's claims made in the Enron bankruptcy case exceeded its non-collateralized accounting exposure. Bankruptcy claims that exceed this amount primarily relate to termination and settlement rights under normal purchases and normal sales contracts where Enron was the counterparty.

Substantially all contracts with Enron were completed or terminated prior to December 31, 2001. Duke Energy has continuing contractual relationships with certain Enron affiliates, which are not in bankruptcy. In Brazil, a power purchase agreement between a Duke Energy affiliate, Paranapanema, and Elektro Eletricidade e Servicos S/A (Elektro), a distribution company approximately 100% owned by Enron, will expire December 31, 2005. The contract was executed by Duke Energy's predecessor in interest in Paranapanema, and obligates Paranapanema to provide energy to Elektro on an irrevocable basis for the contract period. In addition, a purchase/sale agreement expiring September 1, 2005 between a Duke Energy affiliate and Citrus Trading Corporation (Citrus), a joint venture between Enron and El Paso Corporation, continues to be in effect. The contract requires the Duke Energy affiliate to provide natural gas to Citrus. Citrus has provided a letter of credit in favor of Duke Energy to cover its obligations.

Interest Rate Risk

Duke Energy is exposed to risk resulting from changes in interest rates as a result of its issuance of variable-rate debt and commercial paper. Duke Energy manages its interest rate exposure by limiting its variable-rate and fixed-rate exposures to percentages of total capitalization and by monitoring the effects of market changes in interest rates. Duke Energy also enters into financial derivative instruments, including, but not limited to, interest rate swaps, swaptions and U.S. Treasury lock agreements to manage and mitigate interest rate risk exposure. (See Notes 1, 7, 11, 13 and 15 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

Based on a sensitivity analysis as of December 31, 2002, it was estimated that if market interest rates average 1% higher (lower) in 2003 than in 2002, earnings before income taxes would decrease (increase) by approximately \$55 million. Comparatively, based on a sensitivity analysis as of December 31, 2001, had interest rates averaged 1% higher (lower) in 2002 than in 2001, it was estimated that earnings before income taxes would have decreased (increased) by approximately \$57 million. These amounts include the effects of interest rate hedges and were determined by considering the impact of the hypothetical interest rates on the variable-rate securities outstanding as of December 31, 2002 and 2001. The decrease in interest rate sensitivity was primarily due to the decrease in outstanding variable-rate commercial paper. If interest rates changed significantly, management would likely take actions to manage its exposure to the change. However, due to the uncertainty of the specific actions that would be taken and their possible effects, the sensitivity analysis assumes no changes in Duke Energy's financial structure.

Equity Price Risk

Duke Energy maintains trust funds, as required by the NRC, to fund certain costs of nuclear decommissioning. (See Note 12 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) As of December 31, 2002 and 2001,

these funds were invested primarily in domestic and international equity securities, fixed-rate, fixed-income securities and cash and cash equivalents. Per NRC and Internal Revenue Service mandates, these funds may be used only for activities related to nuclear decommissioning. Those investments are exposed to price fluctuations in equity markets and changes in interest rates. Because the accounting for nuclear decommissioning recognizes that costs are recovered through Franchised Electric's rates, fluctuations in equity prices or interest rates do not affect consolidated results of operations or cash flows.

Duke Energy's costs of providing non-contributory defined benefit retirement and postretirement benefit plans are dependent upon a number of factors, such as the rates of return on plan assets, discount rate, the rate of increase in health care costs and contributions made to the plans. The market value of Duke Energy's defined benefit retirement plan assets has been affected by declines in the equity market since 2000. As a result, at September 30, 2002 (Duke Energy's measurement date), Duke Energy's pension plan obligation, excluding Westcoast, exceeded the value of the plan assets by \$439 million and Duke Energy was therefore required to recognize a minimum liability as prescribed by SFAS No. 87 and SFAS No. 132, "Employers' Disclosures about Pensions and Postretirement Benefits," of approximately \$772 million, excluding Westcoast. The \$772 million pension liability was a combination of the \$439 million excess obligation and \$333 million in pre-paid pension assets. The net pension liability as of December 31, 2002 is included in Other Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The liability was recorded as a reduction to OCI, net of income taxes, and did not affect net income for 2002. When the fair value of the plan assets exceeds the accumulated benefit obligations on the measurement date, the recorded liability will be reduced and OCI will be restored in the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Also, Westcoast recorded a \$22 million minimum pension liability as of December 31, 2002.

Pension cost and cash funding requirements could increase in future years without a substantial recovery in the equity markets. Funding requirements for defined benefit pension plans are determined by government regulations, not SFAS No. 87. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution to its defined benefit pension plan in 2004 of approximately \$100 million for the 2003 plan year. Duke Energy anticipates that it will make a contribution of approximately \$10 million to the Westcoast pension plans in 2003 for the 2003 plan year. Contributions for the 2004 plan year and beyond may vary based on the actual return on the defined benefit pension plan's assets, as well as other factors.

Foreign Currency Risk

Duke Energy is exposed to foreign currency risk from investments in international affiliates and businesses owned and operated in foreign countries. To mitigate risks associated with foreign currency fluctuations, contracts may be denominated in or indexed to the U.S. dollar and/or local inflation rates, or investments may be hedged through debt denominated or issued in the foreign currency. Duke Energy may also use foreign currency derivatives, where possible, to manage its risk related to foreign currency fluctuations. To monitor its currency exchange rate risks, Duke Energy uses sensitivity analysis, which measures the impact of devaluation of the foreign currencies to which it has exposure.

As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy's primary foreign currency rate exposures were the Canadian dollar, the Brazilian real, the Peruvian nuevo sol, the Australian dollar, the El Salvadoran colon, the European euro and the Argentine peso. A 10% devaluation in the currency exchange rate in all of these foreign currencies would be immaterial to Duke Energy's Consolidated Statements of Income. The Consolidated Balance Sheets would be negatively impacted by approximately \$300 million currency translation through the cumulative translation adjustment in OCI.

In 1991, the Argentine peso was pegged to the U.S. dollar at a fixed 1:1 exchange ratio. In December 2001, the Argentine government imposed a restriction that limited cash withdrawals above a certain amount and foreign money transfers. Financial institutions were allowed to conduct limited activity, a holiday was announced, and currency exchange activity was essentially halted. The government also required that all

dollar-denominated contracts be converted to pesos. In January 2002, the Argentine government announced the creation of a dual-currency system. Subsequently, however, the Argentine government changed to a managed free-floating currency.

Duke Energy's investment in Argentina was U.S. dollar functional as of December 31, 2001. Once a functional currency determination has been made, that determination must be adhered to consistently, unless significant changes in economic factors indicate that the entity's functional currency has changed. The events in Argentina required a change. In January 2002, the functional currency of Duke Energy's investment in Argentina changed from the U.S. dollar to the Argentine peso. In compliance with SFAS No. 52, "Foreign Currency Translation," the change in functional currency was made prospectively. Management believes that the events in Argentina will have no material adverse effect on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

CURRENT ISSUES

Electric Competition. *Wholesale Competition.* The Energy Policy Act of 1992 and the FERC's subsequent rulemaking activities opened the wholesale energy market to competition. Open-access transmission for wholesale customers, as defined by the FERC's rules, provides energy suppliers, including Duke Energy, with opportunities to sell and deliver capacity and energy at market-based prices. From the FERC's open-access rule, Franchised Electric obtained the rights to sell capacity and energy at market-based rates from its own assets, which also allows Franchised Electric to purchase, at attractive rates, a portion of its capacity and energy requirements resulting in lower overall costs to customers. Open access also provides Franchised Electric's existing wholesale customers with competitive opportunities to seek other suppliers for their capacity and energy requirements.

In 1999 and 2000, the FERC issued its Order 2000 and Order 2000-A regarding Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs). These orders set minimum characteristics and functions RTOs must meet, including independent authority to establish the terms and conditions of transmission service over the facilities they control. The orders provide for an open and flexible RTO structure to meet the needs of the market, and for the possibility of incentive ratemaking and other benefits for transmission owners that participate.

As a result of these rulemakings, Duke Power and the franchised electric units of two other investor-owned utilities, Progress Energy (formerly known as Carolina Power & Light Company) and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, planned to establish GridSouth Transco, LLC (GridSouth), as an RTO responsible for the functional control of the companies' combined transmission systems. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy had invested \$37 million in GridSouth, including carrying costs. This amount is included in Other Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The sponsors expected that GridSouth would be substantially operational by the FERC's Order 2000 "deadline" date of December 15, 2001. In March 2001, GridSouth received provisional approval from the FERC. However, in July 2001 the FERC ordered GridSouth and other utilities in the Southeast to join in a mediation to negotiate terms of a southeastern RTO. It does not appear that the FERC will issue an order specifically based on that proceeding. In 2002, the GridSouth sponsors withdrew their applications to the NCUC and the PSCSC for approval of the transfer of functional control of their electric transmission assets to GridSouth, and announced that development of the GridSouth implementation project had been suspended until the sponsors have an opportunity to further consider regulatory circumstances and the outcome of initiatives such as the FERC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) on Standard Market Design (SMD) and the RTO cost/benefit study initiated by the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (SEARUC). The SEARUC cost/benefit study, issued in November 2002, states that under most scenarios neither RTOs nor SMDs provide net benefits to retail customers in the Southeast over the next few years. The final rule from the SMD NOPR is not expected to be issued until after July 2003. Duke Energy believes that more open wholesale electric markets will at some point provide benefits to consumers and other market participants. Duke Energy continues to examine its specific options relative to RTOs in light of the existing complex regulatory environment. Management believes its investment in GridSouth is probable of recovery.

Retail Competition. Currently, Franchised Electric operates as a vertically integrated, investor-owned utility with exclusive rights to supply electricity in a franchised service territory – a 22,000-square-mile service territory in North and South Carolina. In its retail business, the NCUC and the PSCSC regulate Franchised Electric's service and rates. Any future implementation of retail deregulation or competition will likely impact all entities owning electric generating assets. Beginning in the late 1990's, the NCUC and the PSCSC studied the merits of restructuring the electric utility industry in North and South Carolina respectively. In 1997, North Carolina passed a bill that established a study commission, including legislators, customers, utilities and a member of an environmental group, to examine whether competition should be implemented in the state. In 2000, the North Carolina study commission unanimously approved a set of recommendations on electric restructuring and submitted a report containing these recommendations to the General Assembly. Among other things, the North Carolina report recommended retail deregulation beginning partially in 2005 and fully in 2006. However, legislation required to implement such recommendations was never introduced. In South Carolina, the South Carolina Senate established the Restructuring Task Force and the South Carolina House designated the Subcommittee on Utility Deregulation. Definitive dates for implementing retail deregulation were contemplated, but not established in South Carolina. There is currently no movement in South Carolina's General Assembly to move forward with the implementation of retail deregulation.

Currently, the electric utility industry is predominantly regulated on a basis designed to recover the cost of providing electric power to customers. If cost-based regulation were to be discontinued in the industry for any reason, including competitive pressure on the cost-based prices of electricity, profits could be reduced and electric utilities might be required to reduce their asset balances to reflect a market basis less than cost. Discontinuance of cost-based regulation would also require affected utilities to write-off their associated regulatory assets. Duke Energy's regulatory assets are included in the Consolidated Balance Sheets and the portion of these regulatory assets related to Franchised Electric is approximately \$1.0 billion, including primarily purchased capacity costs, deferred debt expense and deferred taxes related to regulatory assets. Duke Energy is recovering substantially all of these regulatory assets through its current wholesale and retail electric rates and may attempt to continue to recover these assets during any future transition to competition. In addition, Duke Energy would seek to recover the costs of its electric generating facilities in excess of the market price of power at the time of any future transition to competition.

Today, the pace of electricity restructuring varies quite substantially across the U.S. Duke Energy is actively engaged in most markets, particularly those in which it owns assets. Duke Energy continues to believe that wholesale competitive markets bring added value to consumers; therefore, Duke Energy supports the continued restructuring of wholesale electric markets through a disciplined, prudent transition to regional markets. Transforming the current regulated industry into efficient, competitive wholesale and retail electric markets is a complex undertaking, and will continue to require careful planning and coordination between federal and state regulators and other key stakeholders. The key to effective competition is fairness among customers, service providers and investors. Duke Energy intends to continue to work with customers, legislators and regulators to address all the important issues. Management currently cannot predict the impact, if any, of these competitive forces on future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Natural Gas Competition. *Wholesale Competition.* In 2000, the FERC issued Order 637, which revised its regulations for the intended purpose of improving the competitiveness and efficiency of natural gas markets. Order 637 effects changes in capacity segmentation, rights of first refusal (ROFR), scheduling procedures, as well as various reporting requirements intended to provide more transparent pricing information and permit more effective monitoring of the market. The FERC also required each interstate pipeline to submit individual compliance filings to implement the requirements of Order 637. Several parties, including Duke Energy, filed appeals in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals seeking court review of various aspects of Order 637, including (i) the right of customers to segment their capacity rights in a manner that would allow both a forwardhaul and a backhaul transportation transaction to a single delivery point, and (ii) the ROFR granted to existing customers the right to extend contracts beyond the end of the contract's primary term. In 2002, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals generally affirmed the Order but remanded certain issues to the FERC for

further disposition, including the forwardhaul/backhaul and ROFR issues. These matters are still under review by the FERC. In addition to the Order 637 general rulemaking proceeding, Duke Energy's interstate pipelines made individual tariff filings to comply with the requirements of Order 637. These individual compliance proceedings are in different stages of the review approval and implementation process before the FERC. Management believes that the implementation of Order 637 will have no material adverse effect on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

In addition, the FERC is continually proposing and implementing new rules and regulations affecting those segments of the natural gas industry, most notably interstate natural gas transmission companies that remain subject to the FERC's jurisdiction. These initiatives may also affect the intrastate transportation of gas under certain circumstances. The stated purpose of these regulatory changes is to promote competition among the various sectors of the natural gas industry and these initiatives generally reflect more light-handed regulation of the natural gas industry.

Retail Competition. Changes in regulation to allow retail competition could affect Duke Energy's natural gas transportation contracts with local natural gas distribution companies. Since natural gas retail deregulation is in the very early stages of development, management believes the effects of this matter will have no material adverse effect on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

OTHER CURRENT ISSUES

For information on other current issues related to Duke Energy, see the following Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements: Note 4, Franchised Electric, Natural Gas Transmission and Notices of Proposed Rulemaking sections; Note 16, Environmental and Litigation sections.

New Accounting Standards. *SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."* Duke Energy adopted SFAS No. 142 as of January 1, 2002. SFAS No. 142 requires that goodwill no longer be amortized over an estimated useful life, as previously required. Instead, goodwill amounts are subject to fair value-based impairment assessments. Duke Energy did not recognize any material impairment due to the adoption of SFAS No. 142. (For material impairments subsequent to the adoption of SFAS No. 142, see Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.) SFAS No. 142 also requires certain identifiable intangible assets to be recognized separately and amortized as appropriate upon adoption. No adjustments to intangibles were identified by Duke Energy at adoption.

The following table shows what earnings available for common stockholders and earnings per share would have been if amortization (including any related tax effects) related to goodwill that is no longer being amortized had been excluded from prior periods.

Goodwill—Adoption of SFAS No. 142

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except per share amounts)		
Earnings available for common stockholders			
Reported earnings available for common stockholders	\$1,021	\$1,884	\$1,757
Add back: Goodwill amortization, net of tax	—	75	56
Adjusted earnings available for common stockholders	<u>\$1,021</u>	<u>\$1,959</u>	<u>\$1,813</u>
Basic earnings per share			
Reported earnings per share	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.39
Goodwill amortization	—	0.10	0.08
Adjusted earnings per share	<u>\$ 1.22</u>	<u>\$ 2.55</u>	<u>\$ 2.47</u>
Diluted earnings per share			
Reported earnings per share	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.38
Goodwill amortization	—	0.10	0.08
Adjusted earnings per share	<u>\$ 1.22</u>	<u>\$ 2.54</u>	<u>\$ 2.46</u>

SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." Duke Energy adopted SFAS No. 144 on January 1, 2002. The new rules supersede SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of." The new rules retain many of the fundamental recognition and measurement provisions, but significantly change the criteria for classifying an asset as held-for-sale or as a discontinued operation. (For material impairment since the adoption of SFAS No. 144, see Note 9 to the Consolidated Financial Statements.)

EITF Issue No. 02-03, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and for Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities." In June 2002, the FASB's EITF reached a partial consensus on Issue No. 02-03. The EITF concluded that, effective for periods ending after July 15, 2002, mark-to-market gains and losses on energy trading contracts (including those to be physically settled) must be shown on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Duke Energy had previously chosen to report certain of its energy trading contracts on a gross basis, as sales in operating revenues, and to record the associated costs in operating expenses, in accordance with prevailing industry practice. The amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Income for 2001 and 2000 have been reclassified to conform to the 2002 presentation of recording all amounts on a net basis in operating revenues. The following table shows the impact of changing from gross to net presentation for energy trading activities on Duke Energy's revenues (offsetting adjustments were made to operating expenses resulting in no impact on operating income or net income).

Revenues—Implementation of Gross vs. Net Presentation in EITF Issue No. 02-03

	For the years ended December 31,	
	2001	2000
	(in millions)	
Total revenues before adjustment	\$ 59,106	\$ 48,594
Adjustment	(40,909)	(33,252)
Revenues as reported	<u>\$ 18,197</u>	<u>\$ 15,342</u>

In the calculation of net revenues, Duke Energy has continued to enhance its methodologies around the application of this complex accounting literature since the third quarter 2002 when these trading revenues were first reported on a net basis. (See Note 1 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for further discussion.)

In October 2002, the EITF, as part of their further deliberations on Issue No. 02-03, rescinded the consensus reached on Issue No. 98-10. As a result, all energy trading contracts that do not meet the definition of a derivative under SFAS No. 133, and trading inventories that previously had been recorded at fair values, will be recorded at their historical cost and reported on an accrual basis resulting in the recognition of earnings or losses at the time of contract settlement or termination. New non-derivative energy trading contracts entered into after October 25, 2002 are accounted for under the accrual accounting basis. Non-derivative energy trading contracts on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of January 1, 2003 that existed on October 25, 2002 and inventories that were recorded at fair values will be adjusted to historical cost via a net-of-tax and minority interest cumulative effect adjustment of \$125 million to \$175 million as a reduction to first quarter 2003 earnings.

The EITF also reached a consensus in October 2002 on Issue No. 02-03 that, effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2002, gains and losses on all derivative instruments considered to be held for trading purposes should be shown on a net basis in the income statement. Gains and losses on non-derivative energy trading contracts should similarly be presented on a gross or net basis in connection with the guidance in Issue No. 99-19, "Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent." Upon application of this presentation, comparative financial statements for prior periods should be reclassified to conform to the consensus. As discussed above, gains and losses on all energy trading contracts are currently presented on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Duke Energy is currently assessing the new net revenue presentation requirements, which will have no impact on operating income or net income.

SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143 which addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. The standard applies to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development and/or normal use of the asset.

SFAS No. 143 requires that the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation be recognized in the period in which it is incurred, if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. The fair value of the liability is added to the carrying amount of the associated asset. This additional carrying amount is then depreciated over the life of the asset. The liability increases due to the passage of time based on the time value of money until the obligation is settled.

Certain of Duke Energy's regulated operations recognize some removal costs as a component of depreciation in accordance with regulatory treatment. While these amounts will remain in accumulated depreciation, to the extent these amounts do not represent SFAS No. 143 legal retirement obligations, they will be disclosed as part of the regulatory matters footnote upon adoption of SFAS No. 143.

SFAS No. 143 was effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002, and will be adopted by Duke Energy in the first quarter of 2003. The implementation of the standard is expected to result in a net increase in total assets of approximately \$855 million, consisting primarily of an increase in net property, plant and equipment of approximately \$198 million and an increase in regulatory assets of approximately \$659 million. Liabilities are expected to increase by approximately \$870 million, which primarily represents the establishment of an asset retirement obligation liability of \$1,589 million, reduced by the amount that was already recorded as a nuclear decommissioning liability of \$708 million. Substantially all of the obligations are related to the regulated electric operations. Accordingly, Duke Energy filed a request on January 10, 2003 with the NCUC to defer the income statement effect of adopting SFAS No. 143 for its regulated electric operations, and the accounting treatment described above reflects management's assumption that this request will be granted. Duke Energy anticipates making a similar application with the PSCSC by March 31, 2003. For obligations related to

non-regulated operations, a net-of-tax cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle adjustment of approximately \$15 million is expected to be recorded in the first quarter of 2003, as a reduction in earnings.

SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." In June 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 146 which addresses accounting for restructuring and similar costs. SFAS No. 146 supersedes previous accounting guidance, principally EITF Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)." Duke Energy has adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 146 for any restructuring activities initiated after December 31, 2002. SFAS No. 146 requires that the liability for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity be recognized when the liability is incurred. Under EITF Issue No. 94-3, a liability for an exit cost was recognized on the date of Duke Energy's commitment to an exit plan. SFAS No. 146 also establishes that the liability should initially be measured and recorded at fair value. Accordingly, SFAS No. 146 will affect the timing of recognizing future restructuring costs as well as the amounts recognized.

SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation—Transition and Disclosure (an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123)." In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, which amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," and provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value-based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. SFAS No. 148 also amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 123 and APB Opinion No. 28, "Interim Financial Reporting," to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements about the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results. The provisions of SFAS No. 148 are effective for financial statements for periods ending after December 15, 2002. (See Notes 1 and 19 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for Stock-Based Compensation disclosures.)

FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others." In November 2002, the FASB issued FIN 45 which requires a guarantor to recognize a liability for the fair value of the obligation it assumes under certain guarantees. Additionally, FIN 45 requires a guarantor to disclose certain aspects of each guarantee, or each group of similar guarantees, including the nature of the guarantee, the maximum exposure under the guarantee, the current carrying amount of any liability for the guarantee, and any recourse provisions allowing the guarantor to recover from third parties any amounts paid under the guarantee. The disclosure provisions of FIN 45 are effective for financial statements for both interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2002. (See Note 17 to the Consolidated Financial Statements for additional information.) The fair value measurement provisions of FIN 45 are to be applied on a prospective basis to guarantees issued or modified after December 31, 2002.

FASB Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities." In January 2003, the FASB issued FIN 46 which requires an entity to consolidate a variable interest entity if it is the primary beneficiary of the variable interest entity's activities. The primary beneficiary is the party that absorbs a majority of the expected losses, receives a majority of the expected residual returns, or both, of the variable interest entity's activities. FIN 46 is applicable immediately to variable interest entities created, or interests in variable interest entities obtained, after January 31, 2003. For those variable interest entities created, or interests in variable interest entities obtained, on or before January 31, 2003, FIN 46 is required to be applied in the first fiscal year or interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. FIN 46 may be applied prospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date it is first applied, or by restating previously issued financial statements with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the beginning of the first year restated. FIN 46 also requires certain disclosures of an entity's relationship with variable interest entities. Duke Energy is currently assessing FIN 46 but does not anticipate that it will have a material impact on its consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Subsequent Events

In October 2002, Duke Energy entered into a \$244 million stock purchase agreement with National Fuel Gas Company, including the assumption of approximately \$58 million in debt, under which it would acquire Duke Energy's wholly owned Empire State Pipeline. This natural gas pipeline, which originates at the U.S./Canada border and extends into New York, was acquired by Duke Energy as part of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002 (see Note 2 to the Consolidated Financial Statements). The sale to National Fuel Gas Company closed in February 2003.

In March 2003, Duke Energy announced that it will exit the merchant finance business at DCP in an orderly manner. Duke Energy expects this exit to generate positive cash flow in 2003 and 2004.

For information on subsequent events related to litigation and contingencies refer to Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Franchised Electric section and Note 16 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, Litigation section. For information on subsequent events related to debt and other financing matters refer to Financing Cash Flows and Liquidity—Significant Financing Activities and Other Financing Matters sections.

Forward-Looking Statements. Duke Energy's reports, filings and other public announcements may contain or incorporate by reference statements that do not directly or exclusively relate to historical facts. Such statements are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can typically identify forward-looking statements by the use of forward-looking words, such as "may," "will," "could," "project," "believe," "anticipate," "expect," "estimate," "continue," "potential," "plan," "forecast" and other similar words. Those statements represent Duke Energy's intentions, plans, expectations, assumptions and beliefs about future events and are subject to risks, uncertainties and other factors. Many of those factors are outside Duke Energy's control and could cause actual results to differ materially from the results expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements. Those factors include:

- State, federal and foreign legislative and regulatory initiatives that affect cost and investment recovery, have an impact on rate structures, and affect the speed at and degree to which competition enters the electric and natural gas industries
- The outcomes of litigation and regulatory investigations, proceedings or inquiries
- Industrial, commercial and residential growth in Duke Energy's service territories
- The weather and other natural phenomena
- The timing and extent of changes in commodity prices, interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates
- General economic conditions, including any potential effects arising from terrorist attacks and any consequential hostilities or other hostilities
- Changes in environmental and other laws and regulations to which Duke Energy and its subsidiaries are subject or other external factors over which Duke Energy has no control
- The results of financing efforts, including Duke Energy's ability to obtain financing on favorable terms, which can be affected by various factors, including Duke Energy's credit ratings and general economic conditions
- Lack of improvement or further declines in the market prices of equity securities and resultant cash funding requirements for Duke Energy's defined benefit pension plans
- The level of creditworthiness of counterparties to Duke Energy's transactions
- The amount of collateral required to be posted from time to time in Duke Energy's transactions

- Growth in opportunities for Duke Energy’s business units, including the timing and success of efforts to develop domestic and international power, pipeline, gathering, processing and other infrastructure projects
- The performance of electric generation, pipeline and gas processing facilities
- The extent of success in connecting natural gas supplies to gathering and processing systems and in connecting and expanding gas and electric markets and
- The effect of accounting pronouncements issued periodically by accounting standard-setting bodies

In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the events described in the forward-looking statements might not occur or might occur to a different extent or at a different time than Duke Energy has described. Duke Energy undertakes no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

See “Management’s Discussion and Analysis of Results of Operations and Financial Condition, Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.”

Item 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements Of Income

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except per-share amounts)		
Operating Revenues			
Sales of natural gas and petroleum products (Notes 1 and 7)	\$ 4,870	\$ 6,194	\$ 4,877
Generation, transmission and distribution of electricity (Notes 1 and 4)	7,040	7,195	7,488
Transportation and storage of natural gas (Notes 1 and 4)	1,560	994	1,045
Trading and marketing net margin (Notes 1 and 7)	1,084	2,462	1,068
Other	1,109	1,352	864
Total operating revenues	<u>15,663</u>	<u>18,197</u>	<u>15,342</u>
Operating Expenses			
Natural gas and petroleum products purchased (Note 1)	4,740	6,559	4,850
Fuel used in electric generation (Notes 1 and 12)	1,606	1,583	1,943
Net interchange and purchased power (Notes 1, 4 and 5)	608	450	406
Operation and maintenance (Notes 4 and 12)	3,958	4,099	3,469
Depreciation and amortization (Notes 1 and 5)	1,571	1,336	1,167
Property and other taxes	535	431	418
Impairment of goodwill (Notes 1 and 9)	194	36	—
Total operating expenses	<u>13,212</u>	<u>14,494</u>	<u>12,253</u>
Gains on Sale of Other Assets, net	<u>49</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>214</u>
Operating Income	<u>2,500</u>	<u>3,941</u>	<u>3,303</u>
Other Income and Expenses			
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates (Note 8)	220	168	103
Gain on sale of equity investments	32	—	407
Other income and expenses, net	117	147	201
Total other income and expenses	<u>369</u>	<u>315</u>	<u>711</u>
Interest Expense (Notes 7 and 11)	1,110	785	911
Minority Interest Expense (Notes 13 and 14)	107	327	307
Earnings Before Income Taxes	<u>1,652</u>	<u>3,144</u>	<u>2,796</u>
Income Taxes (Notes 1 and 6)	<u>618</u>	<u>1,150</u>	<u>1,020</u>
Income Before Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle	<u>1,034</u>	<u>1,994</u>	<u>1,776</u>
Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle, net of tax (Note 1)	<u>—</u>	<u>(96)</u>	<u>—</u>
Net Income	<u>1,034</u>	<u>1,898</u>	<u>1,776</u>
Preferred and Preference Stock Dividends (Note 15)	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>
Earnings Available For Common Stockholders	<u>\$ 1,021</u>	<u>\$ 1,884</u>	<u>\$ 1,757</u>
Common Stock Data (Note 1)			
Weighted-average shares outstanding	836	767	736
Earnings per share (before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle)			
Basic	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.39
Diluted	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.56	\$ 2.38
Earnings per share			
Basic	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.39
Diluted	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.38
Dividends per share	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.10

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION

Consolidated Balance Sheets

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions)	
ASSETS		
Current Assets (Note 1)		
Cash and cash equivalents (Note 7)	\$ 857	\$ 290
Receivables (Note 7)	6,766	5,301
Inventory	1,134	1,017
Unrealized gains on mark-to-market and hedging transactions (Note 7)	2,144	2,326
Other	952	667
Total current assets	11,853	9,601
Investments and Other Assets		
Investments in unconsolidated affiliates (Note 8)	2,066	1,480
Nuclear decommissioning trust funds (Note 12)	708	716
Goodwill, net of accumulated amortization (Notes 1 and 2)	3,747	1,730
Notes receivable	589	576
Unrealized gains on mark-to-market and hedging transactions (Notes 1 and 7)	2,480	3,117
Other	1,645	1,612
Total investments and other assets	11,235	9,231
Property, Plant and Equipment (Notes 1, 5, 9, 10, 11 and 12)		
Cost	48,677	39,464
Less accumulated depreciation and amortization	12,458	11,049
Net property, plant and equipment	36,219	28,415
Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits (Notes 1 and 4)		
Deferred debt expense	263	203
Regulatory asset related to income taxes	936	510
Other (Notes 5 and 16)	460	571
Total regulatory assets and deferred debits	1,659	1,284
Total Assets	\$60,966	\$48,531

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION
Consolidated Balance Sheets—(Continued)

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions)	
LIABILITIES AND COMMON STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts payable	\$ 5,590	\$ 4,231
Notes payable and commercial paper (Notes 7 and 11)	915	1,603
Taxes accrued (Note 1)	156	443
Interest accrued	310	239
Current maturities of long-term debt and preferred stock (Notes 11 and 15)	1,331	274
Unrealized losses on mark-to-market and hedging transactions (Notes 1 and 7)	1,918	1,519
Other (Notes 1, 5, 6 and 16)	1,770	2,146
Total current liabilities	11,990	10,455
Long-term Debt (Notes 7 and 11)	20,221	12,321
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities (Note 1)		
Deferred income taxes (Note 6)	4,834	4,307
Investment tax credit (Note 6)	176	189
Nuclear decommissioning costs externally funded (Note 12)	708	716
Unrealized losses on mark-to-market and hedging transactions (Note 7)	1,548	2,212
Other (Notes 4, 5 and 16)	3,076	1,755
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	10,342	9,179
Commitments and Contingencies (Notes 5, 12, 16 and 17)		
Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in Subordinated		
Notes of Duke Energy Corporation or Subsidiaries (Notes 7 and 13)	1,408	1,407
Minority Interest in Financing Subsidiary (Note 14)	—	1,025
Minority Interests	1,904	1,221
Preferred and Preference Stock (Notes 7 and 15)		
Preferred and preference stock with sinking fund requirements	23	25
Preferred and preference stock without sinking fund requirements	134	209
Total preferred and preference stock	157	234
Common Stockholders' Equity (Notes 1, 18 and 19)		
Common stock, no par, 2 billion shares authorized; 895 million and 777 million shares outstanding at December 31, 2002 and 2001, respectively	9,236	6,217
Retained earnings	6,417	6,292
Accumulated other comprehensive (loss) income	(709)	180
Total common stockholders' equity	14,944	12,689
Total Liabilities and Common Stockholders' Equity	\$60,966	\$48,531

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION
Consolidated Statements Of Cash Flows

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Cash Flows From Operating Activities			
Net income	\$ 1,034	\$ 1,898	\$ 1,776
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities			
Depreciation and amortization	1,692	1,450	1,348
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	—	96	—
Gains on sales of subsidiaries, equity investment and assets	(81)	(238)	(621)
Provision on DENA's California receivables	—	—	110
Impairment charges	545	36	—
Deferred income taxes	495	129	152
Purchased capacity levelization	175	156	138
Transition cost recoveries, net	—	—	82
(Increase) decrease in			
Net realized and unrealized mark-to-market and hedging transactions	596	91	(464)
Receivables	12	3,166	(5,167)
Inventory	134	(192)	(100)
Other current assets	(335)	694	(796)
Increase (decrease) in			
Accounts payable	798	(3,545)	4,867
Taxes accrued	(332)	183	(439)
Interest accrued	23	28	64
Other current liabilities	(217)	297	1,116
Other, assets	380	351	175
Other, liabilities	(389)	(243)	(230)
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>4,530</u>	<u>4,357</u>	<u>2,011</u>
Cash Flows From Investing Activities			
Capital expenditures, net of cash acquired in acquisitions	(4,924)	(5,930)	(4,568)
Investment expenditures	(641)	(1,093)	(966)
Acquisition of Westcoast Energy Inc., net of cash acquired	(1,707)	—	—
Proceeds from sales of subsidiaries, equity investment and assets	312	742	1,063
Notes receivable	204	201	(158)
Other	(53)	37	(87)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(6,809)</u>	<u>(6,043)</u>	<u>(4,716)</u>
Cash Flows From Financing Activities			
Proceeds from the			
Issuance of long-term debt	5,114	2,673	3,206
Issuance of common stock and the exercise of stock options	1,323	1,432	230
Payments for the redemption of			
Long-term debt	(1,837)	(1,298)	(1,191)
Preferred and preference stock	(88)	(33)	(33)
Net change in notes payable and commercial paper	(1,067)	(246)	1,484
Distributions to minority interests	(2,260)	(3,063)	(4,769)
Contributions from minority interests	2,535	2,733	4,674
Dividends paid	(938)	(871)	(828)
Other	64	27	(59)
Net cash provided by financing activities	<u>2,846</u>	<u>1,354</u>	<u>2,714</u>
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	567	(332)	9
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	<u>290</u>	<u>622</u>	<u>613</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	<u>\$ 857</u>	<u>\$ 290</u>	<u>\$ 622</u>
Supplemental Disclosures			
Cash paid for interest, net of amount capitalized	\$ 1,011	\$ 733	\$ 817
Cash paid for income taxes	\$ 344	\$ 770	\$ 1,177
Acquisition of Westcoast Energy Inc.			
Fair value of assets acquired	\$ 9,254	\$ —	\$ —
Liabilities assumed, including debt and minority interests	8,047	—	—
Issuance of common stock	1,702	—	—
Non-cash Financing Activities			
Reclassification of preferred member interest to debt	\$ 1,025	\$ —	\$ —

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Consolidated Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income

	Common Stock Shares	Common Stock	Retained Earnings	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)	Total	Total Comprehensive Income
	(in millions, except per share amounts)					
Balance December 31, 1999	733	\$4,603	\$4,397	\$ (2)	\$ 8,998	
Net income	—	—	1,776	—	1,776	\$1,776
Other Comprehensive Income(a)						
Foreign currency translation adjustments (Note 1)	—	—	—	(118)	(118)	(118)
Total comprehensive income						<u>\$1,658</u>
Dividend reinvestment and employee benefits						
(Note 19)	6	194	—	—	194	
Common stock dividends	—	—	(809)	—	(809)	
Preferred and preference stock dividends						
(Note 15)	—	—	(19)	—	(19)	
Other capital stock transactions, net	—	—	34	—	34	
Balance December 31, 2000	739	\$4,797	\$5,379	\$ (120)	\$10,056	
Net income	—	—	1,898	—	1,898	\$1,898
Other Comprehensive Income (a)						
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle						
(Note 1)	—	—	—	(921)	(921)	(921)
Foreign currency translation adjustments						
(Note 1)	—	—	—	(187)	(187)	(187)
Net unrealized gains on cash flow hedges (Notes 1 and 7) .	—	—	—	1,324	1,324	1,324
Reclassification into earnings (Notes 1 and 7)	—	—	—	84	84	84
Total comprehensive income						<u>\$2,198</u>
Dividend reinvestment and employee benefits						
(Note 19)	13	329	—	—	329	
Equity offering (Note 18)	25	1,091	—	—	1,091	
Common stock dividends, including equity units contract						
adjustment (Note 18)	—	—	(973)	—	(973)	
Preferred and preference stock dividends (Note 15)	—	—	(14)	—	(14)	
Other capital stock transactions, net	—	—	2	—	2	
Balance December 31, 2001	777	\$6,217	\$6,292	\$ 180	\$12,689	
Net income	—	—	1,034	—	1,034	\$1,034
Other Comprehensive Income(a)						
Foreign currency translation adjustments						
(Note 1)	—	—	—	(340)	(340)	(340)
Net unrealized gains on cash flow hedges (Notes 1 and 7) .	—	—	—	37	37	37
Reclassification into earnings (Notes 1 and 7)	—	—	—	(102)	(102)	(102)
Minimum pension liability adjustment (Note 20)	—	—	—	(484)	(484)	(484)
Total comprehensive income						<u>\$ 145</u>
Dividend reinvestment and employee benefits						
(Note 19)	13	342	—	—	342	
Equity offering (Note 18)	55	975	—	—	975	
Westcoast Acquisition (Note 2)	50	1,702	—	—	1,702	
Common stock dividends, including equity units contract						
adjustment (Note 18)	—	—	(905)	—	(905)	
Preferred and preference stock dividends (Note 15)	—	—	(13)	—	(13)	
Other capital stock transactions, net	—	—	9	—	9	
Balance December 31, 2002	895	\$9,236	\$6,417	\$ (709)	\$14,944	

(a) Other Comprehensive Income amounts are net of tax, except for foreign currency translation.

See Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

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Notes To Consolidated Financial Statements
For the Years Ended December 31, 2002, 2001 and 2000

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Consolidation. The Consolidated Financial Statements include the accounts of Duke Energy Corporation and all majority-owned subsidiaries, after eliminating significant intercompany transactions and balances. Investments in businesses not controlled by Duke Energy Corporation, but over which it has significant influence, are accounted for using the equity method. (See Note 8 for additional information.)

Conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported in the financial statements and notes. Although these estimates are based on management's best available knowledge of current and expected future events, actual results could be different from those estimates.

In these Notes, "Duke Energy" refers to Duke Energy Corporation and its subsidiaries.

Cash and Cash Equivalents. All liquid investments with maturities of three months or less at the date of purchase are considered cash equivalents.

Inventory. Inventory, except inventory held for trading, consists primarily of materials and supplies, natural gas and natural gas liquid (NGL) products held in storage for transmission, processing and sales commitments, and coal held for electric generation. This inventory is recorded at the lower of cost or market value, primarily using the average cost method. Inventory held for trading is marked to market.

Inventory is summarized as follows:

Inventory

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions)	
Materials and supplies	\$ 873	\$ 790
Petroleum products	83	77
Coal	77	134
Gas stored underground	71	3
Trading MTM inventory	16	—
Gas used in operations	14	13
Total inventory	<u>\$1,134</u>	<u>\$1,017</u>

Accounting for Hedges and Trading Activities. All derivatives not qualifying for the normal purchases and sales exemption under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards (SFAS) No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," and energy trading contracts as described in the Financial Accounting Standards Board's (FASB) Emerging Issues Task Force (EITF) Issue No. 98-10, "Accounting for Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities," are recorded on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at their fair value as Unrealized Gains or Unrealized Losses on Mark-to-Market and Hedging Transactions. On the date that swaps, futures, forwards, option contracts or other derivatives are entered into, Duke Energy designates the derivative as either held for trading (trading instrument); as a hedge of a forecasted transaction or future cash flows (cash flow hedge); as a hedge of a recognized asset, liability or firm commitment (fair value hedge); as a normal purchase or sale contract; or leaves the derivative undesignated and marks it to market. All energy trading contracts, as defined by EITF Issue No. 98-10, are classified as trading instruments.

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For hedge contracts, Duke Energy formally assesses, both at the hedge contract's inception and on an ongoing basis, whether the hedge contract is highly effective in offsetting changes in fair values or cash flows of hedged items.

When available, quoted market prices or prices obtained through external sources are used to verify a contract's fair value. For contracts with a delivery location or duration for which quoted market prices are not available, fair value is determined based on pricing models developed primarily from historical and expected correlations with quoted market prices. As of December 31, 2002, 32% of the trading contracts' fair value was determined using market prices and other external sources and 68% was determined using pricing models. As of December 31, 2001, 60% of the trading contracts' fair value was determined using market prices and other external sources and 40% was determined using pricing models.

Values are adjusted to reflect the potential impact of liquidating the positions held in an orderly manner over a reasonable time period under current conditions. Changes in market price and management estimates directly affect the estimated fair value of these contracts. Accordingly, it is probable that such estimates may change in the near term.

Trading. Prior to settlement of any energy contract held for trading purposes, a favorable or unfavorable price movement is reported as Trading and Marketing Net Margin in the Consolidated Statements of Income. An offsetting amount is recorded as Unrealized Gains or Unrealized Losses on Mark-to-Market and Hedging Transactions on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. When a contract to sell or buy is physically settled, the fair value entries are reversed and the gross amounts invoiced to the customer or due to the counterparty are included as Trading and Marketing Net Margin in the Consolidated Statements of Income. For financial settlement, the effect on the Consolidated Statements of Income is the same as physical transactions. For all contracts, the unrealized gain or loss on the Consolidated Balance Sheets is reversed and classified as a receivable or payable account until collected or paid. See the New Accounting Standards section below for a discussion of the implications of the EITF Issue No. 02-03, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities," on the accounting for trading activities subsequent to October 25, 2002.

Cash Flow Hedges. Changes in the fair value of a derivative designated and qualified as a cash flow hedge are included in the Consolidated Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income as Other Comprehensive Income (OCI) until earnings are affected by the hedged item. Settlement amounts and ineffective portions of cash flow hedges are removed from OCI and recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Income in the same accounts as the item being hedged. Duke Energy discontinues hedge accounting prospectively when it is determined that the derivative no longer qualifies as an effective hedge, or when it is no longer probable that the hedged transaction will occur. When hedge accounting is discontinued because the derivative no longer qualifies as an effective hedge, the derivative continues to be carried on the Consolidated Balance Sheets at its fair value, with subsequent changes in its fair value recognized in current-period earnings. Gains and losses related to discontinued hedges that were previously accumulated in OCI will remain in OCI until the underlying contract is reflected in earnings, unless it is no longer probable that the hedged transaction will occur. Gains and losses that were accumulated in OCI will be immediately recognized in current-period earnings if it is no longer probable that the hedged transaction will occur.

Fair Value Hedges. Duke Energy enters into interest rate swaps to convert some of its fixed-rate long-term debt to floating-rate long-term debt and designates such interest rate swaps as fair value hedges. Duke Energy also enters into electricity derivative instruments such as swaps, futures and forwards to manage the fair value risk associated with some of its unrecognized firm commitments to sell generated power due to changes in the

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market price of power. Upon designation of such derivatives as fair value hedges, prospective changes in the fair value of the derivative and the hedged item are recognized in current earnings. All components of each derivative gain or loss are included in the assessment of hedge effectiveness, unless otherwise noted.

Goodwill. Goodwill is the cost of an acquisition less the fair value of the net assets of the acquired business. Prior to January 1, 2002, Duke Energy amortized goodwill on a straight-line basis over the useful lives of the acquired assets, ranging from 10 to 40 years. The amount of goodwill reported on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2001 was \$1,730 million, net of accumulated amortization of \$388 million. Duke Energy implemented SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets," as of January 1, 2002. For information on the impact of SFAS No. 142 on goodwill and goodwill amortization, see the New Accounting Standards section of this footnote. (See Note 2 for information on significant goodwill additions and see Note 9 for information on goodwill impairments.)

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the years ended December 31, 2002 and 2001 are as follows:

Goodwill

	Balance December 31, 2001	Acquired Goodwill	Impairments (in millions)	Other(a)	Balance December 31, 2002
Natural Gas Transmission	\$ 481	\$2,279	\$ —	\$—	\$2,760
Field Services	571	—	—	(90)	481
Duke Energy North America	91	—	—	9	100
International Energy	427	18	(194)	(5)	246
Other Energy Services	6	—	—	(6)	—
Duke Ventures	—	—	—	6	6
Other Operations	154	—	—	—	154
Total consolidated	<u>\$1,730</u>	<u>\$2,297</u>	<u>\$(194)</u>	<u>\$(86)</u>	<u>\$3,747</u>
	Balance December 31, 2000	Acquired Goodwill	Impairments	Other(a)	Balance December 31, 2001
Natural Gas Transmission	\$ 299	\$ —	\$ —	\$182	\$ 481
Field Services	507	82	—	(18)	571
Duke Energy North America	73	—	2	16	91
International Energy	457	6	—	(36)	427
Other Energy Services	48	—	(38)	(4)	6
Other Operations	182	—	—	(28)	154
Total consolidated	<u>\$1,566</u>	<u>\$ 88</u>	<u>\$ (36)</u>	<u>\$112</u>	<u>\$1,730</u>

(a) Amounts consist primarily of foreign currency adjustments and purchase price adjustments to prior year acquisitions. The 2001 amounts also included the amortization of goodwill.

Property, Plant and Equipment. Property, plant and equipment are stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation. Duke Energy capitalizes all construction-related direct labor and material costs, as well as indirect construction costs. Indirect costs include general engineering, taxes and the cost of funds used during construction. The cost of renewals and betterments that extend the useful life of property, plant and equipment is also capitalized. The cost of repairs, replacements and major maintenance projects is expensed as it

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is incurred. Depreciation is generally computed over the asset's estimated useful life using the straight-line method. The composite weighted-average depreciation rates, excluding nuclear fuel, were 4.32% for 2002, 4.01% for 2001 and 3.97% for 2000.

When Duke Energy retires its regulated property, plant and equipment, it charges the original cost plus the cost of retirement, less salvage, to accumulated depreciation and amortization. When it sells entire regulated operating units, or retires or sells non-regulated properties, the cost is removed from the property account and the related accumulated depreciation and amortization accounts are reduced. Any gain or loss is recorded as income, unless otherwise required by the applicable regulatory body.

Impairment of Long-Lived Assets. Duke Energy reviews the recoverability of long-lived and intangible assets, excluding goodwill, when circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. This evaluation is based on various analyses, including undiscounted cash flow projections. The carrying amount is not recoverable if it exceeds the undiscounted sum of cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset. If the carrying value is not recoverable, the impairment loss is measured as the excess of the asset's carrying value over its fair value. (See Note 9 for additional information.)

As of the acquisition date, Duke Energy allocates goodwill to a reporting unit. Duke Energy defines a reporting unit as an operating segment or one level below.

Goodwill is reviewed at least annually in accordance with SFAS No. 142.

Unamortized Debt Premium, Discount and Expense. Premiums, discounts and expenses incurred with the issuance of outstanding long-term debt are amortized over the terms of the debt issues. Any call premiums or unamortized expenses associated with refinancing higher-cost debt obligations to finance regulated assets and operations are amortized consistent with regulatory treatment of those items, where appropriate.

Environmental Expenditures. Duke Energy expenses environmental expenditures related to conditions caused by past operations that do not generate current or future revenues. Environmental expenditures related to operations that generate current or future revenues are expensed or capitalized, as appropriate. Liabilities are recorded when environmental assessments and/or cleanups are probable and the costs can be reasonably estimated.

Cost-Based Regulation. Duke Energy accounts for its regulated operations under the provisions of SFAS No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation." The economic effects of regulation can result in a regulated company recording costs that have been or are expected to be allowed in the rate-setting process in a period different from the period in which the costs would be charged to expense by an unregulated enterprise. Accordingly, Duke Energy records assets and liabilities that result from the regulated ratemaking process that would not be recorded under GAAP for non-regulated entities. These regulatory assets and liabilities are classified in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits, and Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities. (See Note 4.) Duke Energy periodically evaluates the applicability of SFAS No. 71, and considers factors such as regulatory changes and the impact of competition. If cost-based regulation ends or competition increases, companies may have to reduce their asset balances to reflect a market basis less than cost, and write-off their associated regulatory assets and liabilities.

Stock-Based Compensation. Duke Energy accounts for its stock-based compensation arrangements under the intrinsic value recognition and measurement principles of Accounting Principles Board (APB) Opinion No. 25, "Accounting for Stock Issued to Employees," and the FASB Interpretation No. 44, "Accounting for Certain Transactions Involving Stock Compensation (an Interpretation of APB Opinion No. 25)." Since the exercise price for all options granted under those plans was equal to the market value of the underlying common stock on the date of grant, no compensation cost is recognized in the accompanying Consolidated Statements of Income.

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Restricted stock grants, phantom stock awards and stock-based performance awards are recorded over the required vesting period as compensation cost, based on the market value on the date of the grant. The following disclosures (including Note 19) reflect the provisions of SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation—Transition and Disclosure (an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123)."

The following table shows what earnings available for common stockholders, earnings per share and diluted earnings per share would have been if Duke Energy had applied the fair value recognition provisions of SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," to all stock-based compensation awards.

Pro Forma Stock-Based Compensation

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except per share amounts)		
Earnings available for common stockholders, as reported	\$1,021	\$1,884	\$1,757
Add: stock-based compensation expense included in reported net income, net of related tax effects	9	9	7
Deduct: total stock-based compensation expense determined under fair value-based method for all awards, net of related tax effects	(70)	(31)	(19)
Pro forma earnings available for common stockholders, net of related tax effects	<u>\$ 960</u>	<u>\$1,862</u>	<u>\$1,745</u>
Earnings per share			
Basic—as reported	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.39
Basic—pro forma	\$ 1.15	\$ 2.42	\$ 2.37
Diluted—as reported	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.38
Diluted—pro forma	\$ 1.15	\$ 2.41	\$ 2.36

All 2000 outstanding common stock amounts, compensation awards and exercise prices have been adjusted to reflect the two-for-one common stock split effective January 26, 2001. (See Note 18.)

Revenues. Revenues on sales of electricity are recognized when the service is provided. Revenues from electric service provided but not yet billed are estimated each month based on the difference between territorial load and the amount billed. The allowance for doubtful accounts was \$349 million as of December 31, 2002, and \$265 million as of December 31, 2001. Receivables on the Consolidated Balance Sheets included \$186 million as of December 31, 2002, and \$177 million as of December 31, 2001, for electric service provided but not yet billed. The amount for 2001 includes a \$36 million reduction in unbilled revenue receivables, resulting from a refinement in the estimates used to calculate unbilled kilowatt-hour sales.

Revenues on sales of natural gas, natural gas transportation, storage and distribution as well as sales of petroleum products are recognized when the service is provided. Revenues related to these services provided but not yet billed are estimated each month. These estimates are generally based on contract data, regulatory information, preliminary measurements and allocations, estimated distribution usage based on historical data

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adjusted for heating degree days, commodity prices and preliminary throughput measurements. Final bills for the current month are billed and collected in the following month. Receivables on the Consolidated Balance Sheets included \$204 million as of December 31, 2002, and \$80 million as of December 31, 2001, for natural gas transportation, storage and distribution services provided but not yet billed.

Long-term contracts, primarily in the Other Energy Services segment, are accounted for using the percentage-of-completion method. Under the percentage-of-completion method, sales and gross profit are recognized as the work is performed, based on the relationship between costs incurred and total estimated costs at completion. Sales and gross profit are adjusted prospectively for revisions in estimated total contract costs and contract values. When the current estimates of total contract revenue and contract cost indicate a loss, a provision for the entire loss on the contract is recorded in that period. The provision for the loss arises because estimated cost for the contract exceeds estimated revenue.

See Accounting for Hedges and Trading Activities – Trading presented earlier in this footnote for discussion of accounting policies for the recognition of revenues related to trading activities.

Nuclear Fuel. Amortization of nuclear fuel is included in the Consolidated Statements of Income as Fuel Used in Electric Generation. The amortization is recorded using the units-of-production method.

Deferred Returns and Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC). Deferred returns, recorded in accordance with SFAS No. 71, represent the estimated financing costs associated with funding regulatory assets. These costs arise primarily from the funding of purchased capacity costs above levels collected in rates. Deferred returns are non-cash items and are primarily recognized as an addition to purchased capacity costs, which are included in Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits on the Consolidated Balance Sheets, with an offsetting credit to Other Income and Expenses, net. The amount of deferred returns included in Other Income and Expenses, net was \$24 million in 2002, \$43 million in 2001 and \$50 million in 2000.

AFUDC represents the estimated debt and equity costs of capital funds necessary to finance the construction of new regulated facilities. AFUDC is a non-cash item and is capitalized as a component of Property, Plant and Equipment cost, with offsetting credits to Other Income and Expenses, net and to Interest Expense. After construction is completed, Duke Energy is permitted to recover these costs, including a fair return, through inclusion in the rate base and in the depreciation provision. The total amount of AFUDC included in Other Income and Expenses, net and Interest Expense was \$82 million in 2002, \$39 million in 2001 and \$20 million in 2000.

Rates used for capitalization of deferred returns and AFUDC by Duke Energy's regulated operations are calculated in compliance with GAAP rules.

Foreign Currency Translation. Duke Energy translates assets and liabilities for its international operations, where the local currency is the functional currency, at year-end exchange rates. Revenues and expenses are translated using average exchange rates during the year. Foreign Currency Translation Adjustments are included in the Consolidated Statements of Common Stockholders' Equity and Comprehensive Income. In the financial statements for international operations, where the U.S. dollar is the functional currency, transactions denominated in the local currency have been remeasured in U.S. dollars. Remeasurement resulting from foreign currency gains and losses is included in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Income Taxes. Duke Energy and its subsidiaries file a consolidated federal income tax return and other U.S. and foreign jurisdictional returns as required. Deferred income taxes have been provided for temporary

differences between the GAAP and tax carrying amounts of assets and liabilities. These differences create taxable or tax-deductible amounts for future periods. Investment tax credits have been deferred and are being amortized over the estimated useful lives of the related properties.

Excise and Other Pass-Through Taxes. Duke Energy generally presents revenues net of pass-through taxes on the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Earnings Per Common Share. Basic earnings per share is based on a weighted average of common shares outstanding. Diluted earnings per share reflects the potential dilution that could occur if securities or other agreements to issue common stock, such as stock options, stock-based performance unit awards and phantom stock awards, were exercised or converted into common stock. The numerator for the calculation of both basic and diluted earnings per share is earnings available for common stockholders. The following table shows the denominator for basic and diluted earnings per share.

Denominator for Earnings per Share

	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>	<u>2000</u>
	(in millions)		
Denominator for basic earnings per share (weighted-average shares outstanding)(a)	836.1	767.5	735.7
Assumed exercise of dilutive securities or other agreements to issue common stock	<u>2.0</u>	<u>5.4</u>	<u>3.7</u>
Denominator for diluted earnings per share	<u>838.1</u>	<u>772.9</u>	<u>739.4</u>

(a) Increase in weighted-average shares from 2001 to 2002 due primarily to the acquisition of Westcoast Energy Inc. on March 14, 2002 (see Note 2.) and the October 2002 equity issuance of 54.5 million shares. (See Note 18.)

The 2000 common stock amounts have been adjusted to reflect the two-for-one common stock split effective January 26, 2001. (See Note 18.)

Options, performance awards and phantom stock awards to purchase approximately 31.4 million shares of common stock as of December 31, 2002, 6.0 million shares as of December 31, 2001 and 3.3 million shares as of December 31, 2000 were not included in the computation of diluted earnings per share because the option exercise prices were greater than the average market price of the common shares during those periods.

Cumulative Effect of Change in Accounting Principle. Duke Energy adopted SFAS No. 133 as amended and interpreted on January 1, 2001. In accordance with the transition provisions of SFAS No. 133, Duke Energy recorded a net-of-tax cumulative effect adjustment of \$96 million, or \$0.13 per basic share, as a reduction in earnings. The net-of-tax cumulative effect adjustment reducing OCI and Common Stockholders' Equity was \$921 million. For the year ended December 31, 2001, Duke Energy reclassified as earnings \$222 million of losses from OCI for derivatives included in the transition adjustment related to hedge transactions that settled. The amount reclassified out of OCI will be different from the amount included in the transition adjustment due to market price changes since January 1, 2001.

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Other Comprehensive Income (Loss). The components of and changes in other comprehensive income are as follows:

	Foreign Currency Adjustments	Net Unrealized Gains on Cash Flow Hedges	Minimum Pension Liability Adjustment	Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income (Loss)
	(in millions)			
Balance as of December 31, 1999	\$ (2)	\$ —	\$ —	\$ (2)
Other comprehensive income changes				
during the year	(118)	—	—	(118)
Balance as of December 31, 2000	(120)	—	—	(120)
Other comprehensive income changes				
during the year (net of taxes of \$(291))	(187)	487	—	300
Balance as of December 31, 2001	(307)	487	—	180
Other comprehensive income changes				
during the year (net of taxes of \$331)(a)	(340)	(65)	(484)	(889)
Balance as of December 31, 2002	<u>\$(647)</u>	<u>\$422</u>	<u>\$(484)</u>	<u>\$(709)</u>

- (a) 2002 net of taxes include \$22 million for the net unrealized gain on cash flow hedges and \$309 million for the minimum pension liability adjustment.

New Accounting Standards. *SFAS No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."* Duke Energy adopted SFAS No. 142 as of January 1, 2002. SFAS No. 142 requires that goodwill no longer be amortized over an estimated useful life, as previously required. Instead, goodwill amounts are subject to fair value-based impairment assessments. Duke Energy did not recognize any material impairment due to the adoption of SFAS No. 142. (For material impairments subsequent to the adoption of SFAS No. 142, see Note 9.) SFAS No. 142 also requires certain identifiable intangible assets to be recognized separately and amortized as appropriate upon adoption. No adjustments to intangibles were identified by Duke Energy at adoption.

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The following table shows what earnings available for common stockholders and earnings per share would have been if amortization (including any related tax effects) related to goodwill that is no longer being amortized had been excluded from prior periods. (See additional goodwill disclosures made earlier in this footnote.)

Goodwill—Adoption of SFAS No. 142

	For the years ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions, except per share amounts)		
Earnings available for common stockholders			
Reported earnings available for common stockholders	\$1,021	\$1,884	\$1,757
Add back: Goodwill amortization, net of tax	—	75	56
Adjusted earnings available for common stockholders	<u>\$1,021</u>	<u>\$1,959</u>	<u>\$1,813</u>
Basic earnings per share			
Reported earnings per share	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.45	\$ 2.39
Goodwill amortization	—	0.10	0.08
Adjusted earnings per share	<u>\$ 1.22</u>	<u>\$ 2.55</u>	<u>\$ 2.47</u>
Diluted earnings per share			
Reported earnings per share	\$ 1.22	\$ 2.44	\$ 2.38
Goodwill amortization	—	0.10	0.08
Adjusted earnings per share	<u>\$ 1.22</u>	<u>\$ 2.54</u>	<u>\$ 2.46</u>

SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets." Duke Energy adopted SFAS No. 144 on January 1, 2002. The new rules supersede SFAS No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to Be Disposed Of." The new rules retain many of the fundamental recognition and measurement provisions, but significantly change the criteria for classifying an asset as held-for-sale or as a discontinued operation. (For material impairments since the adoption of SFAS No. 144, see Note 9.)

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EITF Issue No. 02-03, "Issues Involved in Accounting for Derivative Contracts Held for Trading Purposes and for Contracts Involved in Energy Trading and Risk Management Activities." In June 2002, the FASB's EITF reached a partial consensus on Issue No. 02-03. The EITF concluded that, effective for periods ending after July 15, 2002, mark-to-market gains and losses on energy trading contracts (including those to be physically settled) must be shown on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Duke Energy had previously chosen to report certain of its energy trading contracts on a gross basis, as sales in operating revenues, and to record the associated costs in operating expenses, in accordance with prevailing industry practice. The amounts in the Consolidated Statements of Income for 2001 and 2000 have been reclassified to conform to the 2002 presentation of recording all amounts on a net basis in operating revenues. The following table shows the impact of changing from gross to net presentation for energy trading activities on Duke Energy's revenues (offsetting adjustments were made to operating expenses resulting in no impact on operating income or net income).

Revenues—Implementation of Gross vs. Net Presentation in EITF Issue No. 02-03

	For the years ended December 31,	
	2001	2000
	(in millions)	
Total revenues before adjustment	\$ 59,106	\$ 48,594
Adjustment	(40,909)	(33,252)
Revenues as reported	<u>\$ 18,197</u>	<u>\$ 15,342</u>

In the calculation of net revenues, Duke Energy has continued to enhance its methodologies around the application of this complex accounting literature since the third quarter 2002 when these trading revenues were first reported on a net basis.

In October 2002, the EITF, as part of their further deliberations on Issue No. 02-03, rescinded the consensus reached on Issue No. 98-10. As a result, all energy trading contracts that do not meet the definition of a derivative under SFAS No. 133, and trading inventories that previously had been recorded at fair values, will be recorded at their historical cost and reported on an accrual accounting basis resulting in the recognition of earnings or losses at the time of contract settlement or termination. New non-derivative energy trading contracts entered into after October 25, 2002 are accounted for under the accrual accounting basis. Non-derivative energy trading contracts on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of January 1, 2003 that existed on October 25, 2002 and inventories that were recorded at fair values will be adjusted to historical cost via a net-of-tax and minority interest cumulative effect adjustment of \$125 million to \$175 million (unaudited) as a reduction to first quarter 2003 earnings.

The EITF also reached a consensus in October 2002 on Issue No. 02-03 that, effective for periods beginning after December 15, 2002, gains and losses on all derivative instruments considered to be held for trading purposes should be shown on a net basis in the income statement. Gains and losses on non-derivative energy trading contracts should similarly be presented on a gross or net basis in connection with the guidance in Issue No. 99-19, "Reporting Revenue Gross as a Principal versus Net as an Agent." Upon application of this presentation, comparative financial statements for prior periods should be reclassified to conform to the consensus. As discussed above, gains and losses on all energy trading contracts are currently presented on a net basis in the Consolidated Statements of Income. Duke Energy is currently assessing the new net revenue presentation requirements, which will have no impact on operating income or net income.

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SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." In June 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143 which addresses financial accounting and reporting for obligations associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets and the associated asset retirement costs. The standard applies to legal obligations associated with the retirement of long-lived assets that result from the acquisition, construction, development and/or normal use of the asset.

SFAS No. 143 requires that the fair value of a liability for an asset retirement obligation be recognized in the period in which it is incurred, if a reasonable estimate of fair value can be made. The fair value of the liability is added to the carrying amount of the associated asset. This additional carrying amount is then depreciated over the life of the asset. The liability increases due to the passage of time based on the time value of money until the obligation is settled.

Certain of Duke Energy's regulated operations recognize some removal costs as a component of depreciation in accordance with regulatory treatment. While these amounts will remain in accumulated depreciation, to the extent these amounts do not represent SFAS No. 143 legal retirement obligations, they will be disclosed as part of the regulatory matters footnote upon adoption of SFAS No. 143.

SFAS No. 143 was effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002, and will be adopted by Duke Energy in the first quarter of 2003. The implementation of the standard is expected to result in a net increase in total assets of approximately \$855 million, consisting primarily of an increase in net property, plant and equipment of approximately \$198 million and an increase in regulatory assets of approximately \$659 million. Liabilities are expected to increase by approximately \$870 million, which primarily represents the establishment of an asset retirement obligation liability of \$1,589 million, reduced by the amount that was already recorded as a nuclear decommissioning liability of \$708 million. Substantially all of the obligations are related to the regulated electric operations. Accordingly, Duke Energy filed a request on January 10, 2003 with the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) to defer the income statement effect of adopting SFAS No. 143 for its regulated electric operations, and the accounting treatment described above reflects management's assumption that this request will be granted. Duke Energy anticipates making a similar application with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (PSCSC) by March 31, 2003. For obligations related to non-regulated operations, a net-of-tax cumulative effect of a change in accounting principle adjustment of approximately \$15 million is expected to be recorded in the first quarter of 2003, as a reduction in earnings.

SFAS No. 146, "Accounting for Costs Associated with Exit or Disposal Activities." In June 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 146 which addresses accounting for restructuring and similar costs. SFAS No. 146 supersedes previous accounting guidance, principally EITF Issue No. 94-3, "Liability Recognition for Certain Employee Termination Benefits and Other Costs to Exit an Activity (including Certain Costs Incurred in a Restructuring)." Duke Energy has adopted the provisions of SFAS No. 146 for any restructuring activities initiated after December 31, 2002. SFAS No. 146 requires that the liability for costs associated with an exit or disposal activity be recognized when the liability is incurred. Under EITF Issue No. 94-3, a liability for an exit cost was recognized on the date of Duke Energy's commitment to an exit plan. SFAS No. 146 also establishes that the liability should initially be measured and recorded at fair value. Accordingly, SFAS No. 146 will affect the timing of recognizing future restructuring costs as well as the amounts recognized.

SFAS No. 148, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation—Transition and Disclosure (an amendment of FASB Statement No. 123)." In December 2002, the FASB issued SFAS No. 148, which amends SFAS No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation," and provides alternative methods of transition for a voluntary change to the fair value-based method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation. SFAS No. 148 also amends the disclosure requirements of SFAS No. 123 and APB Opinion No. 28, "Interim Financial Reporting,"

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to require prominent disclosures in both annual and interim financial statements about the method of accounting for stock-based employee compensation and the effect of the method used on reported results. The provisions of SFAS No. 148 are effective for financial statements for periods ending after December 15, 2002. (See Stock-Based Compensation disclosures made earlier in this footnote.)

FASB Interpretation No. 45 (FIN 45), "Guarantor's Accounting and Disclosure Requirements for Guarantees, Including Indirect Guarantees of Indebtedness of Others." In November 2002, the FASB issued FIN 45 which requires a guarantor to recognize a liability for the fair value of the obligation it assumes under certain guarantees. Additionally, FIN 45 requires a guarantor to disclose certain aspects of each guarantee, or each group of similar guarantees, including the nature of the guarantee, the maximum exposure under the guarantee, the current carrying amount of any liability for the guarantee, and any recourse provisions allowing the guarantor to recover from third parties any amounts paid under the guarantee. The disclosure provisions of FIN 45 are effective for financial statements for both interim and annual periods ending after December 15, 2002. (See Note 17 for additional information.) The fair value measurement provisions of FIN 45 are to be applied on a prospective basis to guarantees issued or modified after December 31, 2002.

FASB Interpretation No. 46 (FIN 46), "Consolidation of Variable Interest Entities." In January 2003, the FASB issued FIN 46 which requires an entity to consolidate a variable interest entity if it is the primary beneficiary of the variable interest entity's activities. The primary beneficiary is the party that absorbs a majority of the expected losses, receives a majority of the expected residual returns, or both, of the variable interest entity's activities. FIN 46 is applicable immediately to variable interest entities created, or interests in variable interest entities obtained, after January 31, 2003. For those variable interest entities created, or interests in variable interest entities obtained, on or before January 31, 2003, FIN 46 is required to be applied in the first fiscal year or interim period beginning after June 15, 2003. FIN 46 may be applied prospectively with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the date it is first applied, or by restating previously issued financial statements with a cumulative-effect adjustment as of the beginning of the first year restated. FIN 46 also requires certain disclosures of an entity's relationship with variable interest entities. Duke Energy is currently assessing FIN 46 but does not anticipate that it will have a material impact on its consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Reclassifications. Certain prior period amounts have been reclassified to conform to current classifications.

2. Business Acquisitions and Dispositions

Business Acquisitions. Duke Energy consolidates assets and liabilities from acquisitions as of the purchase date, and includes earnings from acquisitions in consolidated earnings after the purchase date. Assets acquired and liabilities assumed are recorded at estimated fair values on the date of acquisition. The purchase price minus the estimated fair value of the acquired assets and liabilities is recorded as goodwill. The allocation of the purchase price may be adjusted if additional information on asset and liability valuations becomes available within one year after the acquisition.

Acquisition of Westcoast Energy Inc. (Westcoast). On March 14, 2002, Duke Energy acquired Westcoast for approximately \$8 billion, including the assumption of \$4.7 billion of debt. The assumed debt consists of debt of Westcoast, Union Gas Limited (Union Gas) (a wholly owned subsidiary of Westcoast) and various project entities that are wholly owned or consolidated by Duke Energy. The interest rates on the assumed debt range from 1.8% to 15.0%, with maturity dates ranging from 2002 through 2031. Westcoast, headquartered in

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Vancouver, British Columbia, is a North American energy company with interests in natural gas gathering, processing, transmission, storage and distribution, as well as power generation and international energy businesses.

In the transaction, a Duke Energy subsidiary acquired all of the outstanding common shares of Westcoast in exchange for approximately \$1.7 billion in cash (net of cash acquired) and approximately 49.9 million shares of Duke Energy common stock (including exchangeable shares of a Duke Energy Canadian subsidiary that are substantially equivalent to and exchangeable on a one-for-one basis for Duke Energy common stock). The value of the Duke Energy common stock issued was approximately \$1.7 billion and was determined based on the average market price of Duke Energy's common shares over the two-day period before and after the terms of the transaction became fixed, in accordance with EITF No. 99-12, "Determination of the Measurement Date for the Market Price of Acquirer Securities Issued in a Purchase Business Combination." Under prorating provisions of the acquisition agreement that ensured that approximately 50% of the total consideration was paid in cash and 50% in stock, each common share of Westcoast entitled the holder to elect to receive 43.80 in Canadian dollars, or either 0.7711 of a share of Duke Energy common stock or of an exchangeable share of a Duke Energy Canadian subsidiary, or a combination thereof. The cash portion of the consideration was funded with the proceeds from the issuance of \$750 million in mandatory convertible securities (Equity Units) in November 2001 (see Note 18) along with incremental commercial paper. The commercial paper was repaid using the proceeds from the October 2002 public offering of Duke Energy Common Stock (see Note 18).

The acquisition of Westcoast was consistent with Duke Energy's natural gas pipeline strategy to expand its footprint between key supply and market areas in North America. During its evaluation, Duke Energy identified revenue enhancement opportunities through expansion projects and business integration, cost reduction initiatives, and the divestiture of several non-strategic business lines and assets. These initiatives, when combined with the ongoing earnings contributions from Westcoast's pipelines and distribution businesses, supported a purchase price in excess of the fair value of Westcoast's assets, which resulted in the recognition of goodwill. The Westcoast acquisition was accounted for using the purchase method, and goodwill of approximately \$2.3 billion was recorded in the transaction, of which approximately \$57 million is expected to be deductible for income tax purposes. Of this amount, \$52 million was allocated for tax purposes to Empire State Pipeline which was sold in February 2003 (see Note 22).

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The following table summarizes the estimated fair values of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed as of the acquisitions date.

Preliminary Purchase Price Allocation for Westcoast Acquisition

	(in millions)
Current assets	\$ 2,080
Investments and other assets	1,191
Goodwill	2,279
Property, plant and equipment	5,177
Regulatory assets and deferred debits	806
Total assets acquired	<u>11,533</u>
Current liabilities	1,635
Long-term debt	4,190
Deferred credits and other liabilities	1,662
Minority interests	560
Total liabilities assumed	<u>8,047</u>
Net assets acquired	<u>\$ 3,486</u>

As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy is still awaiting additional third party information to finalize the purchase accounting.

The following unaudited pro forma consolidated financial results are presented as if the acquisition had taken place at the beginning of the periods presented.

Consolidated Pro Forma Results for Duke Energy, including Westcoast (unaudited)

	For the years ended December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions, except per share amounts)	
Income Statement Data		
Operating revenues	\$15,981	\$20,464
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	1,071	2,189
Cumulative effect of change in accounting principle, net of tax	—	(96)
Preferred and preference stock dividends	13	14
Earnings available to common stockholders	\$ 1,058	\$ 2,079
Common Stock Data		
Weighted-average shares outstanding	846	817
Earnings per share (before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle)		
Basic	\$ 1.25	\$ 2.66
Diluted	\$ 1.25	\$ 2.63
Earnings per share		
Basic	\$ 1.25	\$ 2.54
Diluted	\$ 1.25	\$ 2.52

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Dispositions. *Duke Engineering & Services, Inc. (DE&S).* On May 1, 2002, Duke Energy completed the sale of portions of its DE&S business unit to Framatome ANP, Inc. (a nuclear supplier) for \$74 million. Some minor assets and two components of DE&S were not part of the sale and remain components of Other Energy Services. Duke Energy established Energy Delivery Services (EDS) in the second quarter of 2002 from the transmission and distribution services component of DE&S. EDS supplies electric transmission, distribution and substation services to customers. Duke Energy also retained its ownership interest in Duke COGEMA Stone & Webster, LLC (DCS), the prime contractor on the U.S. Department of Energy Mixed Oxide Fuel project. Operating results in 2002 include the pre-tax gain of \$26 million on the sale of DE&S, or an after-tax gain of \$0.02 per basic share.

DukeSolutions, Inc. (DukeSolutions). On May 1, 2002, Duke Energy completed the sale of portions of DukeSolutions to Ameresco, Inc. for \$6 million. The portions that were not sold remain a component of Other Energy Services. Operating results in 2002 include the pre-tax loss on the sale of DukeSolutions of \$25 million, or an after-tax loss of \$0.02 per basic share.

3. Business Segments

Duke Energy, an integrated provider of energy and energy services, offers physical delivery and management of both electricity and natural gas throughout the U.S. and abroad. Duke Energy provides these and other services through seven business segments.

Franchised Electric generates, transmits, distributes and sells electricity in central and western North Carolina and western South Carolina. It conducts operations primarily through Duke Power and Nantahala Power and Light. These electric operations are subject to the rules and regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), the NCUC and the PSCSC.

Natural Gas Transmission provides transportation and storage of natural gas for customers throughout the East Coast and Southern U.S., and in Canada. Natural Gas Transmission also provides distribution service to retail customers in Ontario and Western Canada and gas gathering and processing services to customers in Western Canada. Natural Gas Transmission does business primarily through Duke Energy Gas Transmission Corporation. Duke Energy acquired Westcoast on March 14, 2002 (see Note 2). Duke Energy Gas Transmission's natural gas transmission and storage operations in the U.S. are subject to the FERC's and the Texas Railroad Commission's rules and regulations, while natural gas gathering, processing, transmission, distribution and storage operations in Canada are subject to the rules and regulations of the National Energy Board (NEB), the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) and the British Columbia Utilities Commission.

Field Services gathers, compresses, treats, processes, transports, trades and markets, and stores natural gas; and produces, transports, trades and markets, and stores NGLs. It conducts operations primarily through Duke Energy Field Services, LLC (DEFS), which is approximately 30% owned by ConocoPhillips and approximately 70% owned by Duke Energy. Field Services gathers natural gas from production wellheads in Western Canada and 11 contiguous states in the U.S. Those systems serve major natural gas-producing regions in the Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin, Rocky Mountain, Permian Basin, Mid-Continent and East Texas-Austin Chalk-North Louisiana areas, as well as onshore and offshore Gulf Coast areas.

Duke Energy North America (DENA) develops, operates and manages merchant power generation facilities and engages in commodity sales and services related to natural gas and electric power. DENA conducts business throughout the U.S. and Canada through Duke Energy North America, LLC and Duke Energy Trading and Marketing, LLC (DETM). DETM is approximately 40% owned by ExxonMobil Corporation and approximately

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60% owned by Duke Energy. Prior to April 1, 2002, the DENA business segment was combined with Duke Energy Merchants Holdings, LLC (DEM) to form a segment called North American Wholesale Energy. In 2002, management combined DEM with the Other Energy Services segment. Previous periods have been reclassified to conform to the current presentation.

International Energy develops, operates and manages natural gas transportation and power generation facilities, and engages in sales and marketing of natural gas and electric power outside the U.S. and Canada. It conducts operations primarily through Duke Energy International, LLC and its activities target power generation in Latin America, power generation and natural gas transmission in Asia-Pacific and natural gas marketing in Northwest Europe.

Other Energy Services is composed of diverse energy businesses, operating primarily through DEM, Duke/Fluor Daniel (D/FD) and EDS. DEM engages in commodity buying and selling, and risk management and financial services in non-regulated energy commodity markets other than physical natural gas and power (such as petroleum products). D/FD provides comprehensive engineering, procurement, construction, commissioning and operating plant services for fossil-fueled electric power generating facilities worldwide. D/FD is a 50/50 partnership between Duke Energy and Fluor Enterprises, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Fluor Corporation. EDS is an engineering, construction, maintenance and technical services firm specializing in electric transmission and distribution lines and substation projects. It was formed in the second quarter of 2002 from the transmission and distribution services component of DE&S. This component was excluded from the sale of DE&S to Framatome ANP, Inc. on May 1, 2002. Other Energy Services also retained other portions of DE&S that were not part of the sale, as well as a portion of DukeSolutions that was not sold on May 1, 2002 to Ameresco, Inc. DE&S and DukeSolutions were included in Other Energy Services through the date of their sales. (See Note 2 for additional information on the sales of DE&S and DukeSolutions.)

Duke Ventures is composed of other diverse businesses, operating primarily through Crescent Resources, LLC (Crescent), DukeNet Communications, LLC (DukeNet) and Duke Capital Partners, LLC (DCP). Crescent develops high-quality commercial, residential and multi-family real estate projects, and manages land holdings primarily in the Southeastern and Southwestern U.S. DukeNet develops and manages fiber optic communications systems for wireless, local and long distance communications companies; and selected educational, governmental, financial and health care entities. DCP, a wholly owned merchant finance company, provides debt and equity capital and financial advisory services primarily to the energy industry. In March 2003, Duke Energy announced that it will exit the merchant finance business at DCP in an orderly manner.

Duke Energy's reportable segments offer different products and services and are managed separately as business units. Accounting policies for Duke Energy's segments are the same as those described in Note 1. Management evaluates segment performance primarily based on earnings before interest and taxes (EBIT) after deducting minority interests. The following table shows how consolidated EBIT is calculated before deducting minority interests.

Reconciliation of Operating Income to EBIT

	Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Operating income	\$2,500	\$3,941	\$3,303
Other income and expenses	369	315	711
EBIT	<u>\$2,869</u>	<u>\$4,256</u>	<u>\$4,014</u>

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EBIT is the primary performance measure used by management to evaluate segment performance. On a segment basis, it includes all profits (both operating and non-operating) before deducting interest and taxes, and is net of the minority interest expense related to those profits. Management believes EBIT is a good indicator of each segment's operating performance. As an indicator of Duke Energy's operating performance, EBIT should not be considered an alternative to, or more meaningful than, net income or cash flow as determined in accordance with GAAP. Duke Energy's EBIT may not be comparable to a similarly titled measure of another company.

Management views the sale of operating assets and equity earnings from operating assets as important sources of revenue for Duke Energy and its subsidiaries. Therefore, for internal management purposes, these items are reflected in segment revenues. For external reporting purposes, these items are excluded from revenues and appropriately reflected in separate captions on the Consolidated Statements of Income.

In the accompanying table, EBIT includes the profit on intersegment sales at prices management believes are representative of arms' length transactions. The table also provides information on segment assets, net of intercompany advances, intercompany notes receivable, intercompany current assets, intercompany derivative assets and investments in subsidiaries. Other Operations primarily includes certain unallocated costs.

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Business Segment Data

	Unaffiliated Revenues	Intersegment Revenues	Total Revenues	EBIT	Depreciation and Amortization	Capital and Investment Expenditures	Segment Assets
				(in millions)			
Year Ended December 31, 2002							
Franchised Electric	\$ 4,880	\$ 8	\$ 4,888	\$1,608	\$ 614	\$1,269	\$13,503
Natural Gas Transmission	2,338	264	2,602	1,174	324	2,878	15,168
Field Services	4,411	1,115	5,526	126	299	309	6,827
Duke Energy North America	2,769	(1,173)	1,596	165	190	2,013	15,457
International Energy	936	1	937	(102)	86	412	5,803
Other Energy Services	119	286	405	63	26	32	961
Duke Ventures	547	—	547	204	20	459	2,156
Other Operations	—	(113)	(113)	(406)	12	(23)	1,925
Eliminations and minority interests	—	(388)	(388)	37	—	—	(834)
Gains on sales of assets and equity investments which are included in segment revenues	(117)	—	(117)	—	—	—	—
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(220)	—	(220)	—	—	—	—
Cash acquired in acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	(77)	—
Total consolidated	<u>\$15,663</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$15,663</u>	<u>\$2,869</u>	<u>\$1,571</u>	<u>\$7,272</u>	<u>\$60,966</u>
Year Ended December 31, 2001							
Franchised Electric	\$ 4,737	\$ 9	\$ 4,746	\$1,631	\$ 588	\$1,115	\$13,120
Natural Gas Transmission	967	138	1,105	608	141	748	5,027
Field Services	6,489	1,589	8,078	336	285	587	7,113
Duke Energy North America	4,845	(1,548)	3,297	1,487	103	3,213	14,107
International Energy	814	16	830	286	97	442	5,115
Other Energy Services	96	438	534	(149)	71	72	1,139
Duke Ventures	646	—	646	183	20	773	1,926
Other Operations	—	62	62	(357)	31	90	1,830
Eliminations and minority interests	—	(704)	(704)	231	—	—	(846)
Gains on sales of assets and equity investments which are included in segment revenues	(229)	—	(229)	—	—	—	—
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(168)	—	(168)	—	—	—	—
Cash acquired in acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	(17)	—
Total consolidated	<u>\$18,197</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$18,197</u>	<u>\$4,256</u>	<u>\$1,336</u>	<u>\$7,023</u>	<u>\$48,531</u>
Year Ended December 31, 2000							
Franchised Electric	\$ 4,946	\$ —	\$ 4,946	\$1,820	\$ 565	\$ 661	\$12,819
Natural Gas Transmission	998	133	1,131	562	131	973	4,995
Field Services	4,723	1,442	6,165	311	240	376	6,624
Duke Energy North America	3,483	(1,250)	2,233	382	70	1,735	26,664
International Energy	798	7	805	341	97	980	4,551
Other Energy Services	321	529	850	(7)	18	230	2,092
Duke Ventures	797	—	797	568	17	643	1,967
Other Operations	—	(134)	(134)	(194)	29	36	2,749
Eliminations and minority interests	—	(727)	(727)	231	—	—	(4,229)
Gains on sales of assets and equity investments which are included in segment revenues	(621)	—	(621)	—	—	—	—
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	(103)	—	(103)	—	—	—	—
Cash acquired in acquisitions	—	—	—	—	—	(100)	—
Total consolidated	<u>\$15,342</u>	<u>\$ —</u>	<u>\$15,342</u>	<u>\$4,014</u>	<u>\$1,167</u>	<u>\$5,534</u>	<u>\$58,232</u>

Geographic Data

	U.S.	Canada	Latin America	Other Foreign	Consolidated
			(in millions)		
2002					
Consolidated revenues	\$13,482	\$1,308	\$ 674	\$ 199	\$15,663
Consolidated long-lived assets	36,866	7,895	2,118	2,234	49,113
2001					
Consolidated revenues	\$15,812	\$1,771	\$ 197	\$ 417	\$18,197
Consolidated long-lived assets	34,247	516	2,573	1,594	38,930
2000					
Consolidated revenues	\$13,477	\$1,613	\$ 166	\$ 86	\$15,342
Consolidated long-lived assets	30,772	900	2,823	1,222	35,717

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4. Regulatory Matters

Regulatory Assets and Liabilities. Duke Energy's regulated operations are subject to SFAS No. 71. Accordingly, Duke Energy records assets and liabilities that result from the regulated ratemaking process that would not be recorded under GAAP for non-regulated entities. (See Note 1.) The following table details Duke Energy's regulatory assets and liabilities.

Regulatory Assets and Liabilities

<u>Assets (Liabilities)</u>	<u>December 31,</u>	
	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
	<u>(in millions)</u>	
Purchased capacity costs (see Note 5)(a)	\$ 151	\$ 349
Deferred debt expense	263	203
Net regulatory asset related to income taxes	936	510
U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) assessment fee(b)	44	53
Emission allowance control(b)	4	10
Demand-side management costs(b)	38	57
Gas purchase costs(c)	44	—
Project costs(b)	20	—
Environmental cleanup costs(b)	10	28
Nuclear property and liability reserves(d)	(152)	(100)
Fuel cost liabilities(d)	(7)	(17)

(a) Included in Other Current Assets, Other Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits, Other Current Liabilities, and Other Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets

(b) Included in Other Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits on the Consolidated Balance Sheets

(c) Included in Accounts Receivable on the Consolidated Balance Sheets

(d) Included in Other Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets

Franchised Electric. The NCUC and the PSCSC approve rates for retail electric sales within their states. The FERC approves Franchised Electric's rates for electric sales to wholesale customers, excluding the other joint owners of the Catawba Nuclear Station; those sales are set through contractual agreements. (See Note 5 for ownership interests in Catawba Nuclear Station.)

Franchised Electric has currently recorded approximately \$660 million in regulatory assets (net of regulatory liabilities). Management estimates that current rates are sufficient to recover these costs, in addition to providing a reasonable return for shareholders. Management continually assesses whether the regulatory assets are probable of future recovery by considering factors such as applicable regulatory environment changes, recent rate orders to other regulated entities, and the status of any pending or potential deregulation legislation. This assessment reflects the current political and regulatory climate in the states in which Franchised Electric operates, and is subject to change in the future. If future recovery of costs ceases to be probable, the assets would be required to be recognized in current period earnings.

The majority of these regulatory assets, including deferred debt expense and the regulatory asset related to income taxes, are amortized and recovered over the lives of the related assets/debt instruments. In addition to cost recovery, Franchised Electric records a current return on the purchased capacity and demand-side management assets.

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Fuel costs are reviewed semiannually by the FERC and annually by the PSCSC, with provisions for reviewing those costs in base rates. The NCUC reviews fuel costs in rates annually and during general rate case proceedings. All jurisdictions allow Duke Energy to adjust electric rates for past over- or under-recovery of fuel costs. The difference between actual fuel costs incurred for electric operations and fuel costs recovered through rates is reflected in revenues.

In 1999 and 2000, the FERC issued its Order 2000 and Order 2000-A regarding Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs). These orders set minimum characteristics and functions RTOs must meet, including independent authority to establish the terms and conditions of transmission service over the facilities they control. The orders provide for an open and flexible RTO structure to meet the needs of the market and for the possibility of incentive ratemaking and other benefits for transmission owners that participate.

As a result of these rulemakings, Duke Power and the franchised electric units of two other investor-owned utilities, Progress Energy (formerly known as Carolina Power & Light Company) and South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, planned to establish GridSouth Transco, LLC (GridSouth), as an RTO responsible for the functional control of the companies' combined transmission systems. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy had invested \$37 million in GridSouth, including carrying costs. This amount is included in Other Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The sponsors expected that GridSouth would be substantially operational by the FERC's Order 2000 "deadline" date of December 15, 2001. In March 2001, GridSouth received provisional approval from the FERC. However, in July 2001 the FERC ordered GridSouth and other utilities in the Southeast to join in a mediation to negotiate terms of a southeastern RTO. It does not appear that the FERC will issue an order specifically based on that proceeding. In 2002, the GridSouth sponsors withdrew their applications to the NCUC and the PSCSC for approval of the transfer of functional control of their electric transmission assets to GridSouth, and announced that development of the GridSouth implementation project had been suspended until the sponsors have an opportunity to further consider regulatory circumstances and the outcome of initiatives such as the FERC's Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) on Standard Market Design (SMD) and the RTO cost/benefit study initiated by the Southeastern Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (SEARUC). The SEARUC cost/benefit study, issued in November 2002, states that under most scenarios neither RTOs nor SMDs provide net benefits to retail customers in the Southeast over the next few years. The final rule from the SMD NOPR is not expected to be issued until after July 2003. Duke Energy believes that more open wholesale electric markets will at some point provide benefits to consumers and other market participants. Duke Energy continues to examine options relative to RTOs in light of the existing complex regulatory environment. Management believes its investment in GridSouth is probable of recovery.

In 2001, the NCUC and the PSCSC began a joint investigation, along with the Public Staff of the NCUC, regarding certain Duke Power regulatory accounting entries for 1998, including the classification of nuclear insurance distributions. As part of their investigation, the NCUC and the PSCSC jointly engaged an independent firm to conduct an accounting investigation of Duke Power's accounting records for reporting periods from 1998 through June 30, 2001. In 2002 Duke Power entered into a settlement agreement with the NCUC and the PSCSC in which the parties agreed to changes in the accounting primarily related to nuclear insurance distributions, a one-time \$25 million credit to Duke Power's deferred fuels account for the benefit of North Carolina and South Carolina customers, the reclassification of \$50 million of a \$58 million suspense account to a nuclear insurance operation reserve account and an additional \$2 million adjustment to the nuclear insurance operation reserve account. The remaining \$8 million in the suspense account was credited to income, resulting in a net \$19 million pre-tax charge in 2002. The Carolina Utilities Customer Association, a group that represents industrial customers in regulatory proceedings before the NCUC, has appealed the decision related to the settlement agreement to the North Carolina Court of Appeals. In addition, in February 2003, Duke Energy received a Western District of

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North Carolina Grand Jury subpoena for documents related to the audit by the NCUC and the PSCSC of Duke Power's regulatory reporting from 1998 to 2000. Duke Energy intends to fully cooperate with the government in connection with this investigation.

Natural Gas Transmission. The British Columbia Pipeline System (BC Pipeline) and the field services business in western Canada have recorded approximately \$479 million of regulatory assets related to deferred income tax liabilities. Under the current NEB rate structure, income tax costs are recovered in rates based on the current income tax payable and do not include accruals for deferred income tax. However, as income taxes become payable as a result of the reversal of timing differences that created the deferred income taxes, the transportation and field services' rates will be adjusted to recover these taxes.

Since most of these timing differences are related to property, plant and equipment costs, this recovery is expected to occur over a 20 to 30 year period.

When evaluating the recoverability of these BC Pipeline and the field services' regulatory assets, management takes into consideration the NEB regulatory environment, natural gas reserve estimates for reserves located, or expected to be located, near these assets, the ability to remain competitive in the markets served, and projected demand growth estimates for the areas served by BC Pipeline and the field services business. Based on current evaluation of these factors, management believes that recovery of these tax costs is probable over the periods described above.

Union Gas (which provides gas distribution, transportation and storage services in Ontario, Canada) has rates that are approved by the OEB. Rates for the sale of gas are adjusted quarterly, if required, to reflect updated commodity price forecasts. The difference between the approved and the actual cost of gas incurred in the current period is deferred pending approval by the OEB. Gas purchase costs deferred by Union Gas as of December 31, 2002 were \$44 million, and are expected to be recovered from customers in 2003 and 2004. These amounts represent a direct flow-through of costs to customers and, therefore, no rate of return is earned on the deferred balances. The OEB's approval for recovery of these gas purchase costs focuses on a review of the prudence of costs incurred. Management believes that recovery of these costs is probable.

Texas Eastern Transmission, LP, which is primarily engaged in the interstate transportation and storage of natural gas, has recorded approximately \$65 million of regulatory assets related to income taxes, loss on redeemed debt and environmental clean-up costs. Management believes that recovery of these costs is probable.

In 2000, the FERC issued Order 637, which revised its regulations for the intended purpose of improving the competitiveness and efficiency of natural gas markets. Order 637 effects changes in capacity segmentation, rights of first refusal (ROFR), scheduling procedures, as well as various reporting requirements intended to provide more transparent pricing information and permit more effective monitoring of the market. The FERC also required each interstate pipeline to submit individual compliance filings to implement the requirements of Order 637. Several parties, including Duke Energy, filed appeals in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals seeking court review of various aspects of Order 637, including (1) the right of customers to segment their capacity rights in a manner that would allow both a forwardhaul and a backhaul transportation transaction to a single delivery point, and (ii) the ROFR granted to existing customers to extend contracts beyond the end of the contract's primary term. In 2002, the District of Columbia Court of Appeals generally affirmed the Order but remanded certain issues to the FERC for further disposition, including the forwardhaul/backhaul and ROFR issues. These matters are still under review by the FERC. In addition to the Order 637 general rulemaking proceeding, Duke Energy's interstate pipelines made individual tariff filings to comply with the requirements of Order 637, and these individual compliance proceedings are in different stages of the review, approval and

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implementation process before the FERC. Management believes that the implementation of Order 637 will have no material adverse effect on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

In addition, the FERC is continually proposing and implementing new rules and regulations affecting those segments of the natural gas industry, most notably interstate natural gas transmission companies that remain subject to the FERC's jurisdiction. These initiatives may also affect the intrastate transportation of gas under certain circumstances. The stated purpose of these regulatory changes is to promote competition among the various sectors of the natural gas industry and these initiatives generally reflect more light-handed regulation of the natural gas industry.

The process for OEB approval of Union Gas' rates for 2003 is currently underway. A settlement agreement was filed with the OEB on January 20, 2003. The agreement settled many financial and operating issues for 2003, including a rate decrease of 2.3% effective January 1, 2003 pursuant to the pricing formula set by the OEB in its performance based regulation decision. The settlement agreement was approved by the OEB in February 2003. A hearing was held before the NEB in February 2003 to resolve outstanding issues and a decision is pending.

During 2002, Union Gas applied to the OEB for a change to the OEB formula used to set the return on equity (ROE). The proposed methodology has the effect of increasing the ROE awarded to Union Gas effective January 1, 2002. The OEB has decided to review the applications in a combined hearing that is expected to take place in the third quarter of 2003. With the expiration of the Performance-Based Regulation (PBR) trial period at the end of 2003, Union Gas plans on filing a cost of service rate application in the second quarter of 2003 to establish 2004 rates and expects to file a proposal for second generation PBR for 2005 in the fourth quarter of 2004.

Management believes that the effects of these matters will have no material adverse effect on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Notices of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR). *NOPR on Standards of Conduct.* In September 2001, the FERC issued a NOPR announcing they would substantially modify the current standards of conduct uniformly applicable to natural gas pipelines and electric transmitting public utilities currently subject to differing standards. The proposal impacts how companies and their affiliates interact and share information by broadening the definition of "affiliate" covered by the standards of conduct. The NOPR also sought comment on whether the standards of conduct should be broadened to include the separation of employees involved in the bundled retail electric sales function from those in the transmission function, as the current standards only require those involved in wholesale marketing activities to be separated from the transmission function. Duke Energy filed extensive comments on the NOPR with the FERC in December 2001. In April 2002, the FERC Staff issued an analysis of all comments received which reflected important progress in several areas. With regard to corporate governance, however, the FERC Staff's analysis recommended adoption of an automatic imputation rule which could impact parent company oversight of subsidiaries with transmission functions (pipeline and storage functions) and transmission functions within a single company that conducts both electric transmission and marketing functions (such as Duke Power). A public conference was held in May 2002 to discuss the proposed revisions to the gas and electric standards of conduct. Duke Energy filed supplemental comments with respect to the FERC Staff's analysis in June 2002. The FERC is expected to take further action on the NOPR in the first half of 2003.

NOPR on Standard Market Design. In July 2002, the FERC approved a NOPR entitled Remedying Undue Discrimination through Open Access Transmission Service and Standard Electricity Market Design (Standard

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Market Design or SMD). The FERC has proposed to modify the open access transmission tariff and implement an SMD that would apply to RTOs and to individual utilities that have not yet joined an RTO. The FERC proposes to require each transmission owner to give an Independent Transmission Provider (ITP) operational control over the transmission owner's facilities. These ITPs will file SMD tariffs for transmission and ancillary services, administer day-ahead and real-time markets, monitor and mitigate market power, perform long-term resource adequacy and participate in transmission planning and expansion on a regional basis.

Duke Energy filed comments on certain aspects of the NOPR in November 2002, and again in January 2003, for those aspects of the filing for which the FERC chose to extend the comment deadline (e.g., transmission planning and pricing, states role, resource adequacy and congestion revenue rights). The NOPR contemplates implementation of SMD by 2004, although there are indications that the FERC expects the implementation timetable to be delayed. The FERC has stated that they will issue a White Paper on the SMD in April 2003. The White Paper is expected to reflect the evolution in the SMD discussion brought about by the various filed comments and testimony presented at technical conferences. No date for the final rule has been set.

5. Joint Ownership of Generating Facilities

Joint Ownership of Catawba Nuclear Station(a)

<u>Owner</u>	<u>Ownership Interest</u>
North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1	37.5%
North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation	28.1%
Duke Energy Corporation	12.5%
Piedmont Municipal Power Agency	12.5%
Saluda River Electric Cooperative, Inc.	9.4%
	<u>100.0%</u>

(a) Facility operated by Duke Energy

As of December 31, 2002, \$533 million of property, plant and equipment and \$309 million of accumulated depreciation and amortization represented Duke Energy's undivided interest in Catawba Nuclear Station Units 1 and 2. Duke Energy's share of revenues and operating costs is included in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

Contractual agreements to purchase declining percentages of the station's generating capacity and energy through the year 2000 made purchased capacity costs subject to rate levelization and deferral. The cost of capacity purchased but not reflected in current rates is included in Other Current Assets, Other Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits, Other Current Liabilities, and Other Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Those costs were \$151 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$349 million as of December 31, 2001. Duke Energy expects to recover the remaining accumulated balance, including returns on the deferred balance, through 2004. The amounts levelized in rates are intended to recover total costs, including deferred returns, and are subject to adjustments, including final true-ups.

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6. Income Taxes

Income Tax Expense

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Current income taxes			
Federal	\$ 85	\$ 826	\$ 679
State	13	106	109
Foreign	25	24	18
Total current income taxes	123	956	806
Deferred income taxes, net			
Federal	440	165	187
State	21	9	13
Foreign	48	33	29
Total deferred income taxes, net	509	207	229
Investment tax credit amortization	(14)	(13)	(15)
Total income tax expense	<u>\$618</u>	<u>\$1,150(a)</u>	<u>\$1,020</u>

(a) Excludes \$59 million of deferred federal and state tax benefits related to the cumulative effect of change in accounting principle recorded net of tax. (See Note 1.)

Earnings before Income Taxes

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Domestic	\$1,621	\$2,943	\$2,587
Foreign	31	201	209
Total Income	<u>\$1,652</u>	<u>\$3,144</u>	<u>\$2,796</u>

Income Tax Expense Reconciliation to Statutory Rate

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Income tax, computed at the statutory rate of 35%	\$ 578	\$1,100	\$ 979
State income tax, net of federal income tax effect	22	74	75
Tax differential on foreign earnings	62	(13)	(26)
Employee Stock Ownership Plan dividends	(33)	(2)	—
Other items, net	(11)	(9)	(8)
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 618</u>	<u>\$1,150</u>	<u>\$1,020</u>
Effective tax rate	<u>37.4%</u>	<u>36.6%</u>	<u>36.5%</u>

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Net Deferred Income Tax Liability Components

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions)	
Deferred credits and other liabilities	\$ 1,540	\$ 544
Other	145	158
Total deferred income tax assets	1,685	702
Valuation allowance	(41)	(17)
Net deferred income tax assets	1,644	685
Investments and other assets	(1,043)	(725)
Accelerated depreciation rates	(4,224)	(3,171)
Regulatory assets and deferred debits	(856)	(816)
Total deferred income tax liabilities	(6,123)	(4,712)
Total net deferred income tax liabilities	<u>\$(4,479)</u>	<u>\$(4,027)</u>

Valuation allowances have been established for certain foreign net operating loss carryforwards that reduce deferred tax assets to an amount that will, more likely than not, be realized. The net change in the total valuation allowance is included in the tax differential on foreign earnings line of the Statutory Rate Reconciliation.

Deferred income taxes have not been provided on the undistributed earnings of Duke Energy's foreign subsidiaries as such amounts are deemed to be permanently reinvested.

7. Risk Management Instruments, Hedging Activities and Credit Risk

Duke Energy, substantially through its subsidiaries, is exposed to the impact of market fluctuations in the price of natural gas, electricity and other energy-related products marketed and purchased. Duke Energy employs established policies and procedures to manage its risks associated with these market fluctuations using various energy trading contracts and commodity derivatives, including forward contracts, futures, swaps and options for trading purposes and for activity other than trading activity (primarily hedge strategies). The following table shows the fair value of Duke Energy's energy trading and derivative portfolio as of December 31, 2002.

Fair Value of Contracts as of December 31, 2002

Type of Contract	Maturity in 2003	Maturity in 2004	Maturity in 2005	Maturity in 2006 and Thereafter	Total Fair Value
	(in millions)				
Trading contracts	\$ 55	\$ 84	\$ 23	\$327	\$ 489
Hedge contracts	187	174	109	215	685
Total	<u>\$242</u>	<u>\$258</u>	<u>\$132</u>	<u>\$542</u>	<u>\$1,174</u>

Commodity Cash Flow Hedges. Some Duke Energy subsidiaries are exposed to market fluctuations in the prices of various commodities related to their ongoing power generating and natural gas gathering, distribution, processing and marketing activities. Duke Energy closely monitors the potential impacts of commodity price changes and, where appropriate, enters into contracts to protect margins for a portion of future sales and

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generation revenues. Duke Energy uses commodity instruments, such as swaps, futures, forwards and collared options, as cash flow hedges for natural gas, electricity and NGL transactions. Duke Energy is hedging exposures to the price variability of these commodities for a maximum of 15 years.

The ineffective portion of commodity cash flow hedges and the amount recognized for transactions that no longer qualified as cash flow hedges were not material in 2002 or 2001. As of December 31, 2002, \$179 million of after-tax deferred net gains on derivative instruments related to commodity cash flow hedges were accumulated on the Consolidated Balance Sheet in a separate component of stockholders' equity, in OCI, and are expected to be recognized in earnings during the next 12 months as the hedged transactions occur. However, due to the volatility of the commodities markets, the corresponding value in OCI will likely change prior to its reclassification into earnings.

Commodity Fair Value Hedges. Some Duke Energy subsidiaries are exposed to changes in the fair value of some unrecognized firm commitments to sell generated power or natural gas due to market fluctuations in the underlying commodity prices. Duke Energy actively evaluates changes in the fair value of such unrecognized firm commitments due to commodity price changes and, where appropriate, uses various instruments to hedge its market risk. These commodity instruments, such as swaps, futures and forwards, serve as fair value hedges for the firm commitments associated with generated power and natural gas sales. Duke Energy is hedging exposures to the market risk of such items for a maximum of 10 years. For 2002 and 2001, the ineffective portion of commodity fair value hedges was not material.

Trading Contracts. Duke Energy provides energy supply, structured origination, trading and marketing, risk management, and commercial optimization services to large energy customers, energy aggregators and other wholesale companies. These services require Duke Energy to use natural gas, electricity, NGL and transportation contracts that expose it to a variety of market risks. Duke Energy manages its trading exposure with policies that limit its market risk and require daily reporting of potential financial exposure to management. These policies include statistical risk tolerance limits using historical price movements to calculate a daily earnings at risk measurement.

Interest Rate (Fair Value or Cash Flow) Hedges. Changes in interest rates expose Duke Energy to risk as a result of its issuance of variable-rate debt and commercial paper. Duke Energy manages its interest rate exposure by limiting its variable-rate and fixed-rate exposures to percentages of total capitalization and by monitoring the effects of market changes in interest rates. Duke Energy also enters into financial derivative instruments, including, but not limited to, interest rate swaps, swaptions and U.S. Treasury lock agreements to manage and mitigate interest rate risk exposure. Duke Energy's existing interest rate derivative instruments and related ineffectiveness were not material to its consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position in 2002 and 2001.

Interest Rate Derivatives

	December 31,					
	2002			2001		
	Notional Amounts	Fair Value	Contracts Expire	Notional Amounts	Fair Value	Contracts Expire
	(dollars in millions)					
Fixed-to-floating rate swaps	\$800	\$ 80	2005-2028	\$875	\$ 20	2003-2019
Cancelable fixed-to-floating rate swaps	352	23	2014-2025	455	7	2014-2025
Floating-to-fixed rate swaps	475	(30)	2013-2033	—	—	—
International floating-to-fixed rate swaps	403	(29)	2003-2010	—	—	—

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Gains and losses deferred in anticipation of planned financing transactions on interest rate swap derivatives are included in OCI and amortized over the life of the underlying debt once issued. These deferred gains and losses were not material in 2002 or 2001. As a result of the interest rate swap contracts, interest expense for the relative notional amount is recognized at the weighted-average rates as depicted in the following table.

Weighted-Average Rates for Interest Rate Swaps

	For the Years Ended December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
Fixed-to-floating rate swaps	3.05%	3.92%	6.50%
Cancelable fixed-to-floating rate swaps	2.16%	3.23%	5.09%
International floating-to-fixed rate swaps	3.71%	—	—
Commercial paper swaps	—	—	6.11%
Interest Rate Locks	5.10%	—	—

Foreign Currency (Fair Value, Net Investment or Cash Flow) Hedges. Duke Energy is exposed to foreign currency risk from investments in international affiliates and businesses owned and operated in foreign countries. To mitigate risks associated with foreign currency fluctuations, contracts may be denominated in or indexed to the U.S. dollar and/or local inflation rates, or investments may be hedged through debt denominated or issued in the foreign currency. Duke Energy may also use foreign currency derivatives, where possible, to manage its risk related to foreign currency fluctuations. To monitor its currency exchange rate risks, Duke Energy uses sensitivity analysis, which measures the impact of devaluation of foreign currencies.

Financial Instruments. The fair value of financial instruments not currently carried at market value is summarized in the following table. Judgment is required in interpreting market data to develop the estimates of fair value. Accordingly, the estimates determined as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, are not necessarily indicative of the amounts Duke Energy could have realized in current markets.

Financial Instruments

	2002		2001	
	Book Value	Approximate Fair Value	Book Value	Approximate Fair Value
	(in millions)			
Long-term debt(a)	\$21,550	\$22,693	\$12,582	\$13,239
Guaranteed preferred beneficial interests in subordinated notes of Duke Energy or subsidiaries	1,408	1,466	1,407	1,440
Preferred stock(a)	159	155	247	242

(a) Includes current maturities

The fair value of cash and cash equivalents, receivables, payables and commercial paper are not materially different from their carrying amounts because of the short-term nature of these instruments or because the stated rates approximate market rates.

Credit Risk. Duke Energy's principal customers for power and natural gas marketing and transportation services are industrial end-users, marketers, local distribution companies and utilities located throughout the U.S., Canada, Asia Pacific, Europe and Latin America. Duke Energy has concentrations of receivables from natural gas and electric utilities and their affiliates, as well as industrial customers and marketers throughout

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these regions. These concentrations of customers may affect Duke Energy's overall credit risk in that risk factors can negatively impact the credit quality of the entire sector. Where exposed to credit risk, Duke Energy analyzes the counterparties' financial condition prior to entering into an agreement, establishes credit limits and monitors the appropriateness of those limits on an ongoing basis.

Duke Energy frequently uses master collateral agreements to mitigate certain credit exposures, primarily in its trading and marketing operations. The collateral agreements provide for a counterparty to post cash or letters of credit for exposure in excess of the established threshold. The threshold amount represents an unsecured credit limit, determined in accordance with the corporate credit policy. The collateral agreement also provides that the inability to post collateral is sufficient cause to terminate a contract and liquidate all positions.

Natural Gas Transmission and Field Services also obtain cash or letters of credit from customers, where appropriate, based on their financial analysis of the customer and the regulatory or contractual terms and conditions applicable to each transaction.

Collateral amounts held or posted may be fixed or may vary depending on the value of the underlying contracts and cover trading, normal purchases and normal sales, and hedging contracts outstanding. Duke Energy may be required to return certain held collateral and post additional collateral should price movements adversely impact the value of open contracts or positions. In many cases, Duke Energy's and its counterparties' publicly disclosed credit ratings impact the amounts of additional collateral to be posted. Recent downgrades in Duke Energy's affiliates' credit ratings resulted in Duke Energy posting more collateral with counterparties and any further downgrade could require the posting of additional collateral. Likewise, downgrades in credit ratings of counterparties could require counterparties to post additional collateral to Duke Energy.

The change in market value of New York Mercantile Exchange-traded futures and options contracts requires daily cash settlement in margin accounts with brokers. Financial derivatives are generally cash settled periodically throughout the contract term. However, these transactions are also generally subject to margin agreements with many of Duke Energy's counterparties.

Following the bankruptcy of Enron Corp., Duke Energy terminated substantially all contracts with Enron Corp. and its affiliated companies (collectively, Enron). As a result, in 2001 Duke Energy recorded as a charge, a non-collateralized accounting exposure of \$43 million. The \$43 million non-collateralized accounting exposure was composed of charges of \$24 million at Other Energy Services, \$12 million at DENA, \$3 million at International Energy, \$3 million at Field Services and \$1 million at Natural Gas Transmission. These amounts were stated on a pre-tax basis as charges against the reporting segment's earnings in 2001.

Duke Energy's claims made in the Enron bankruptcy case exceeded its non-collateralized accounting exposure. Bankruptcy claims that exceed this amount primarily relate to termination and settlement rights under normal purchases and normal sales contracts where Enron was the counterparty.

Substantially all contracts with Enron were completed or terminated prior to December 31, 2001. Duke Energy has continuing contractual relationships with certain Enron affiliates, which are not in bankruptcy. In Brazil, a power purchase agreement between a Duke Energy affiliate, Companhia de Geracao de Energia Electrica Paranapanema (Paranapanema), and Elektro Eletricidade e Servicos S/A (Elektro), a distribution company approximately 100% owned by Enron, will expire December 31, 2005. The contract was executed by Duke Energy's predecessor in interest in Paranapanema, and obligates Paranapanema to provide energy to Elektro on an irrevocable basis for the contract period. In addition, a purchase/sale agreement expiring September 1, 2005 between a Duke Energy affiliate and Citrus Trading Corporation (Citrus), a joint venture

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between Enron and El Paso Corporation, continues to be in effect. The contract requires the Duke Energy affiliate to provide natural gas to Citrus. Citrus has provided a letter of credit in favor of Duke Energy to cover its obligations.

8. Investment in Unconsolidated Affiliates and Related Party Transactions

Investments in domestic and international affiliates that are not controlled by Duke Energy, but over which it has significant influence, are accounted for using the equity method. Those investments include undistributed earnings of \$108 million in 2002 and \$166 million in 2001. Duke Energy received distributions of \$369 million in 2002, \$158 million in 2001 and \$138 million in 2000 from those investments. Duke Energy's share of net income from these unconsolidated affiliates is reflected in the Consolidated Statements of Income as Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Affiliates.

Natural Gas Transmission. Investments primarily include a 50% interest in Gulfstream Natural Gas System, LLC (Gulfstream), a 23.6% interest in Alliance Pipeline and a 30% interest in Vector Pipeline. Gulfstream is an interstate natural gas pipeline that extends from Mississippi and Alabama across the Gulf of Mexico to Florida. Although Duke Energy owns a significant portion of Gulfstream, it is not consolidated as Duke Energy does not hold a majority of voting control or bear a majority of the risk of loss or return. Alliance Pipeline is an interstate natural gas pipeline that extends from eastern Canada to the Chicago, Illinois area. Vector Pipeline is a joint interstate natural gas pipeline that extends from the Chicago, Illinois area through Indiana and Michigan and into Ontario, Canada.

Field Services. Investments primarily include a 21.1% ownership interest in TEPPCO Partners, LP, a publicly traded limited partnership which owns and operates a network of pipelines for refined products and crude oil.

Duke Energy North America. Significant investments include a 50% interest in American Ref-Fuel Company, LLC and a 50% interest in Southwest Power Partners, LLC. American Ref-Fuel Company, LLC owns and operates facilities that convert waste to energy. Southwest Power Partners, LLC is a gas-fired combined-cycle facility in Arizona that serves markets in Arizona, Nevada and California. Although Duke Energy owns a significant portion of these investments, they are not consolidated as it was determined that control was not present.

International Energy. Significant investments include a 25% indirect interest in National Methanol Company, which owns and operates a methanol and MTBE (methyl tertiary butyl ether) business in Jubail, Saudi Arabia.

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Other Energy Services. Investments include participation in various construction and support activities for fossil-fueled generating plants through D/FD.

Duke Ventures. Significant investments include various real estate development projects through Crescent.

Investment in Unconsolidated Affiliates

	For the years ended:								
	December 31, 2002			December 31, 2001			December 31, 2000		
	Domestic	International	Total	Domestic	International	Total	Domestic	International	Total
	(in millions)								
Natural Gas Transmission	\$1,044	\$191	\$1,235	\$ 565	\$ 88	\$ 653	\$ 82	\$ 88	\$ 170
Field Services	290	—	290	252	—	252	373	—	373
Duke Energy North America . . .	296	43	339	315	—	315	610	—	610
International Energy	—	122	122	—	165	165	—	154	154
Other Energy Services	25	5	30	53	7	60	36	16	52
Duke Ventures	44	—	44	30	—	30	23	—	23
Other Operations	6	—	6	5	—	5	5	—	5
Total	<u>\$1,705</u>	<u>\$361</u>	<u>\$2,066</u>	<u>\$1,220</u>	<u>\$260</u>	<u>\$1,480</u>	<u>\$1,129</u>	<u>\$258</u>	<u>\$1,387</u>

Equity in Earnings of Unconsolidated Affiliates

	For the years ended:								
	December 31, 2002			December 31, 2001			December 31, 2000		
	Domestic	International	Total	Domestic	International	Total	Domestic	International	Total
	(in millions)								
Natural Gas Transmission	\$ 87	\$ 19	\$ 106	\$ 38	\$ 7	\$ 45	\$13	\$ 4	\$ 17
Field Services	60	—	60	45	—	45	39	—	39
Duke Energy North America . . .	39	5	44	35	—	35	45	—	45
International Energy	—	65	65	—	39	39	—	43	43
Other Energy Services	108	(1)	107	49	—	49	(22)	—	(22)
Duke Ventures	—	—	—	2	—	2	(9)	—	(9)
Other Operations	(162)(a)	—	(162)(a)	(47)(a)	—	(47)(a)	(10)(a)	—	(10)(a)
Total	<u>\$ 132</u>	<u>\$ 88</u>	<u>\$ 220</u>	<u>\$122</u>	<u>\$ 46</u>	<u>\$168</u>	<u>\$56</u>	<u>\$47</u>	<u>\$103</u>

- (a) Includes equity investments at the corporate level and the elimination of 50% of the profit earned by D/FD on construction projects with DENA and Duke Power. D/FD is included in Other Energy Services investments in affiliates and is 50% owned by Duke Energy. See additional information in the Related Party Transactions section that follows.

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Summarized Combined Financial Information of Unconsolidated Affiliates

	December 31,		
	2002	2001	2000
	(in millions)		
Balance Sheet			
Current assets	\$ 2,286	\$ 1,239	\$ 1,242
Noncurrent assets	14,888	8,199	6,588
Current liabilities	(1,711)	(1,202)	(888)
Noncurrent liabilities	(8,666)	(4,400)	(4,404)
Net assets	<u>\$ 6,797</u>	<u>\$ 3,836</u>	<u>\$ 2,538</u>
Income Statement			
Operating revenues	\$ 6,101	\$ 5,202	\$ 4,617
Operating expenses	5,094	4,525	4,039
Net income	859	499	440

Related Party Transactions. Outstanding notes receivable from unconsolidated affiliates were \$113 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$25 million as of December 31, 2001. Of the notes outstanding as of December 31, 2002, \$104 million related to a note from partners in a project in which International Energy had a 30% ownership and the remaining \$9 million related to notes that Crescent had with partners in two of its joint ventures. These outstanding notes receivables had interest rates at or above current market rates.

In 2002, Duke Energy's Natural Gas Transmission segment recognized \$28 million in earnings for a construction fee received from an unconsolidated affiliate related to the successful completion of Gulfstream. (See project description in the Natural Gas Transmission section of this footnote.)

As a result of the Westcoast acquisition in 2002, Duke Energy became a partner in the Alliance Pipeline and Vector Pipeline (see project descriptions in the Natural Gas Transmission section of this footnote). As a result of commitments required of Westcoast related to its original investment in these projects, Duke Energy also acquired commitments to pay for firm capacity on these pipelines. Payments for the year ended December 31, 2002 totaled \$30 million.

Duke Energy and Fluor Enterprises, Inc. formed the D/FD 50/50 partnership in 1989. The partnership provides full-service siting, permitting, licensing, engineering, procurement, construction, start-up, operating and maintenance services for fossil-fired plants in the U.S. and internationally. D/FD is the primary builder of DENA's merchant generation plants currently under construction. D/FD also builds some plants for Duke Power. Fifty percent of the profit earned by D/FD for the construction of DENA's merchant generation plants, which is associated with Duke Energy's ownership, is deferred in consolidation until the plant is sold as part of DENA's portfolio management strategy. Or, once the plant becomes operational, the deferred profit is amortized over the plant's useful life. Fifty percent of the profit earned by D/FD for operating and maintenance services, which is associated with Duke Energy's ownership, is eliminated in consolidation. For the year ended December 31, 2002, Duke Energy deferred profit of \$159 million for D/FD construction contracts and eliminated profit of \$3 million for operating and maintenance services. For the year ended December 31, 2001, Duke Energy deferred profit of \$54 million for construction contracts and eliminated profit of \$9 million for operating and maintenance services. For the year ended December 31, 2000, Duke Energy deferred profit of \$16 million for construction contracts; there was no profit from operating and maintenance services to be eliminated in 2000. In addition, as part of the D/FD partnership agreement, excess cash is loaned at current market rates to Duke Energy and Fluor Enterprises, Inc. (See Note 11.)

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In the normal course of business, Duke Energy's consolidated subsidiaries enter into energy trading contracts or other derivatives with one another. On a separate company basis, each subsidiary accounts for such contracts as if it were transacted with a third party and records the contract using mark-to-market or accrual accounting, as applicable. For example, DETM may enter into a contract to purchase natural gas storage from DEFS. DEFS may record this contract using accrual accounting, while DETM may mark the contract to market through its current earnings. In the consolidation process, the effects of this intercompany contract are eliminated, and not reflected in Duke Energy's Consolidated Financial Statements. In all cases, energy trading contracts (and any resulting mark-to-market gains or losses) between consolidated subsidiaries are eliminated in the consolidation process.

Also see Note 14, Minority Interest, and Note 17, Guarantees and Indemnifications, for additional related party information.

9. Asset Impairments and Other Charges

Duke Energy evaluates its long-lived assets, excluding goodwill, for impairment under SFAS No. 144 (see Note 1). SFAS No. 144 requires long-term assets to be reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of the asset may not be recoverable. In 2002, the merchant energy portion of Duke Energy's business portfolio suffered from oversupply of merchant generation, low commodity pricing and volatility, and a steep decline in trading and marketing activity. These market challenges are continuing in 2003. As a result of the 2002 market conditions, Duke Energy suspended certain projects and abandoned others in this sector. The culmination of these events caused Duke Energy to evaluate the carrying values of certain of its long-lived assets at DENA and International Energy.

This analysis resulted in a \$31 million impairment charge at one of DENA's merchant power facilities. Additionally, charges of approximately \$242 million were also recorded in 2002 to write-off site development costs in California and Brazil and to partially write-down uninstalled turbines, as well as, the termination of other turbines on order. A two-step process was performed in testing the assets for impairment. The impairment loss recorded was equal to the amount by which the carrying value exceeded the fair value of the assets. Fair value was based on prices for similar assets and a discounted cash flow analysis.

In 2002, a decision was made to abandon an information technology system at DENA resulting in the write-off of approximately \$24 million of previously capitalized software and related costs.

During the fourth quarter of 2002, Field Services recorded impairments of approximately \$40 million (\$28 million at Duke Energy's 70% share) related to certain gas plants and gathering systems that have recently generated cash flow losses. Field Services determined that the carrying value of these assets was impaired and, accordingly, wrote them down to their fair value. Fair value was determined based on estimates of sales value and/or cash flow models.

Duke Energy evaluates its goodwill for impairment under SFAS No. 142 (see Note 1). In 2002, Duke Energy recorded a goodwill impairment loss of \$194 million related to International Energy's European trading and marketing business. Significant changes in the European market and recent operating results have adversely affected Duke Energy's outlook for this business unit. The exit of key market participants and a tightening of credit requirements are the primary drivers of this revised outlook. The fair value of the European reporting unit was estimated using the present value of expected future cash flows.

These impairments were recorded as charges to Operating Income in the Consolidated Statements of Income.

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During 2002, Duke Energy reduced its workforce to align the business with current market conditions. Duke Energy recorded charges totaling approximately \$100 million related to these reductions. The charges were recorded consistent with applicable accounting rules including EITF Issue No. 94-3 and SFAS No. 112, “Employers’ Accounting for Postemployment Benefits—An Amendment of FASB Statements No. 5 and 43.” Substantially all of these charges will be paid in 2003.

10. Property, Plant and Equipment

Net Property, Plant and Equipment

	December 31,	
	2002	2001
	(in millions)	
Land	\$ 621	\$ 575
Plant		
Electric generation, distribution and transmission	23,842	19,792
Natural gas transmission	9,401	6,200
Gathering and processing facilities	6,200	4,106
Other buildings and improvements	1,398	1,350
Nuclear fuel	827	788
Equipment	464	251
Vehicles	121	69
Construction in process(a)	4,057	5,068
Other	1,746	1,265
Total property, plant and equipment	48,677	39,464
Total accumulated depreciation(b)	(12,458)	(11,049)
Total net property, plant and equipment	<u>\$ 36,219</u>	<u>\$ 28,415</u>

(a) Includes \$1,165 million as of December 31, 2002 related to three DENA merchant power plants for which construction has been deferred.

(b) Includes accumulated amortization of nuclear fuel: \$566 million for 2002 and \$546 million for 2001.

Capitalized interest impact of \$250 million for 2002, \$167 million for 2001 and \$67 million for 2000 is included in the Consolidated Statements of Income. (See Notes 1 and 12 for additional information on accounting policies related to property, plant and equipment, and nuclear decommissioning, respectively.)

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11. Debt and Credit Facilities

Debt

	Weighted-Average Rate	Year Due	December 31,	
			2002	2001
			(in millions)	
Unsecured debt(a)	6.7%	2003—2038	\$16,222	\$ 9,334
Secured debt	4.2%	2003—2027	2,654	200
Commercial paper and extendible commercial notes (ECNs)(b),(c)	2.1%		2,030	2,987
First and refunding mortgage bonds	6.8%	2003—2033	690	790
Other debt(d)	2.5%	2005—2017	514	853
Capital leases	9.0%	2006—2032	339	105
Fair value hedge carrying value adjustment(e)		2003—2032	123	22
Unamortized debt discount and premium, net			(107)	(106)
Total debt(f)			22,465	14,185
Current maturities of long-term debt			(1,329)	(261)
Short-term notes payable and commercial paper(g)			(915)	(1,603)
Total long-term debt			<u>\$20,221</u>	<u>\$12,321</u>

- (a) Includes \$1,625 million of Equity Units as of December 31, 2002 and 2001 (see Note 18).
- (b) Includes \$1,150 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$1,450 million as of December 31, 2001 that was classified as Long-term Debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The weighted-average days to maturity were 20 days as of December 31, 2002 and 22 days as of December 31, 2001.
- (c) Includes \$299 million of ECNs as of December 31, 2001. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy and Duke Capital Corporation had suspended their ECN programs. Duke Capital Corporation is a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy that provides financing and credit enhancement services for its subsidiaries.
- (d) Includes \$172 million of Duke Energy pollution control bonds of which \$117 million is secured by first and refunding mortgage bonds as of December 31, 2002 and 2001.
- (e) For additional information on fair value hedges see Note 7.
- (f) As of December 31, 2002, \$675 million of debt was denominated in Australian dollars, \$346 million of debt was denominated in Brazilian reais with the principal indexed annually to Brazilian inflation and \$3,462 million of debt was denominated in Canadian dollars. As of December 31, 2001, \$483 million of debt was denominated in Australian dollars and \$427 million of debt was denominated in Brazilian reais with the principal indexed annually to inflation.
- (g) Weighted-average rates on outstanding short-term notes payable and commercial paper was 2.6% as of December 31, 2002 and 3.13% as of December 31, 2001.

Unsecured debt, secured debt and other debt included \$3,545 million of floating-rate debt as of December 31, 2002, and \$879 million as of December 31, 2001. Floating-rate debt is primarily based on a spread relative to an index such as a London Interbank Offered Rate for debt denominated in U.S. dollars, Banker's Acceptances for debt denominated in Canadian dollars and a Bank Bill Swap reference rate for debt denominated in Australian dollars. As of December 31, 2002, the average interest rate associated with floating-rate debt was 3.2%.

Other debt included \$282 million related to a loan with D/FD as of December 31, 2002, and \$568 million as of December 31, 2001. As part of the D/FD partnership agreement, excess cash is loaned at current market rates

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to Duke Energy and Fluor Enterprises, Inc. The weighted-average rate of this loan was 2.5% as of December 31, 2002 and 4.05% as of December 31, 2001.

As of December 31, 2002, secured debt consisted primarily of various project financings, including THOR Investors, LLC (THOR) (see Note 14), P.T. Puncakjaya Power, Duke Energy Western Australia Holdings, Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd., Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, LLC, Maritimes & Northeast Pipeline, LP, Empire State Pipeline and certain projects at Crescent. A portion of the assets, ownership interest and business contracts in these various projects are pledged as collateral. Additionally, as of December 31, 2002, substantially all of Franchised Electric's electric plant in service was subject to a mortgage lien securing the first mortgage bonds.

In February 2003, Duke Energy issued \$500 million of 3.75% five-year first and refunding mortgage bonds due in 2008 in a private placement transaction exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (Securities Act). The bonds are subject to a registration agreement, whereby Duke Energy has agreed to register an exchange with the holders of identical bonds under the Securities Act. The proceeds from this issuance were used to repay short-term debt, replace \$100 million of Duke Energy's first and refunding mortgage bonds that matured in February 2003, to repay approximately \$200 million of an intercompany loan from Duke Capital Corporation and for general corporate purposes. Additionally, in February 2003, Duke Energy's Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) shelf registrations were increased to \$2,500 million.

Annual Maturities	(in millions)
2003	\$ 1,329
2004	1,311
2005	2,728
2006	2,490
2007	724
Thereafter	12,968
Total long-term debt(a)	<u>\$21,550</u>

(a) Excludes short-term notes payable and commercial paper

Annual maturities after 2007 include \$2,610 million of long-term debt with call options, which provide Duke Energy with the option to repay the debt early. Based on the years in which Duke Energy may first exercise its redemption options, it could potentially repay \$1,760 million in 2003, \$500 million in 2004, \$100 million in 2005 and \$250 million in 2006.

In 2000, Duke Energy issued \$250 million of 7.125% senior unsecured bonds due in 2012, with a put option that gave investors the choice to put the bond to Duke Energy at par value in September 2002 or extend the maturity until 2012. In September 2002, Duke Energy refinanced the senior unsecured bonds with private debt securities and paid approximately \$43 million to buy back the option to extend the maturity of the bonds. The private debt securities were subsequently repaid in October 2002 by the issuance of \$350 million of 6.45% senior unsecured notes due in 2032. The cost of the option will be amortized over the life of the \$350 million senior unsecured notes.

In 2000, Duke Capital Corporation issued \$150 million senior unsecured bonds due in 2003 that may be required to be repaid if Duke Capital Corporation's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB at Standard & Poor's (S&P) or Baa2 at Moody's Investors Service (Moody's). Additionally, \$21 million of Duke Energy's

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senior unsecured notes which mature serially through 2011 may be required to be repaid if Duke Energy's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB- at S&P or Baa3 at Moody's, and \$33 million of Duke Energy's senior unsecured notes which mature serially through 2016 may be required to be repaid if Duke Energy's senior unsecured debt ratings fall below BBB at S&P or Baa2 at Moody's. As of February 28, 2003, Duke Energy's senior unsecured credit rating was A- at S&P and A3 at Moody's, and Duke Capital Corporation's senior unsecured credit rating was BBB+ at S&P and Baa2 at Moody's.

The following table summarizes Duke Energy's credit facilities and related amounts outstanding as of December 31, 2002. The majority of the credit facilities support commercial paper programs. The issuance of commercial paper, letters of credit and other borrowings reduces the amount available under the credit facilities. Amounts related to outstanding commercial paper and other borrowings in the following table are included in the previous long-term debt table.

Credit Facilities Summary as of December 31, 2002

	Expiration Date	Credit Facilities Available	Amounts Outstanding			
			Commercial Paper	Letters of Credit	Other Borrowings	Total
			(in millions)			
Duke Energy						
\$475 364-Day syndicated(a),(b)	August 2003					
\$475 Multi-year syndicated(a),(b)	August 2004					
Total Duke Energy		\$ 950	\$ 882	\$—	\$—	\$ 882
Duke Capital Corporation						
\$500 Temporary bilateral(b),(c)	June 2003					
\$700 364-Day syndicated(a),(b),(c)	August 2003					
\$500 364-Day syndicated letter of credit(a),(b),(c)	April 2003					
\$142 364-Day bilateral(a),(b),(c)	August 2003					
\$550 Multi-year syndicated(a),(b),(c)	August 2004					
\$538 Multi-year syndicated letter of credit(b),(c)	April 2004					
Total Duke Capital Corporation		2,930	570	580	—	1,150
Westcoast Energy Inc.						
\$158 364-Day syndicated(a),(b),	December 2003					
\$127 Two-year syndicated(b)	December 2004					
Total Westcoast Energy Inc.(d)		285	57	—	—	57
Union Gas Limited						
\$380 364-Day syndicated(e)	July 2003	380	124	—	—	124
Duke Energy Field Services, LLC						
\$650 364-Day syndicated(a),(f)	March 2003	650	215	—	—	215
Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd.						
\$198 364-Day syndicated(g)	February 2003					
\$177 Multi-year syndicated	February 2005					
Total Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd.(h)		375	182		128	310
Total		\$5,570	\$2,030	\$580	\$128	\$2,738

(a) Credit facility contains an option allowing up to the full amount of the facility to be borrowed on the day of initial expiration for up to a one-year period.

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- (b) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 65%.
- (c) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization interest coverage (excluding mark-to-market earnings) of two and a half times or greater. In February 2003, the covenants related to the credit facility have been amended to clarify certain non-cash exclusions.
- (d) Credit facilities are denominated in Canadian dollars, and totaled 450 million Canadian dollars as of December 31, 2002.
- (e) Credit facility contains an option allowing up to 50% of the amount of the facility to be borrowed on the day of the initial expiration for up to a one-year period. As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 75%. Credit facility is denominated in Canadian dollars, and was 600 million Canadian dollars as of December 31, 2002.
- (f) As of December 31, 2002, credit facility contained a covenant requiring debt to total capitalization not exceeding 53%.
- (g) In February 2003, the expiration date of the credit facility was extended to March 2003.
- (h) Credit facilities guaranteed by Duke Capital Corporation. Credit facilities are denominated in Australian dollars, and totaled 662 million Australian dollars as of December 31, 2002. Duke Australia Pipeline Finance Pty Ltd. is a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy.

Existing bank credit facilities as of December 31, 2002 are not subject to minimum cash requirements. In addition, in October 2002, Duke Energy secured an option to borrow up to \$500 million in February 2003 for a period ending no later than November 2003. In February 2003, this option was amended to allow Duke Energy to borrow up to \$250 million between June 30, 2003 and August 29, 2003. Any amounts borrowed would be due no later than March 31, 2004. Also, Duke Energy is currently maintaining a minimum cash position of \$500 million at Duke Capital Corporation to be used for short-term liquidity needs. This cash position is invested in highly rated, liquid, short-term money market securities.

Duke Energy has approximately \$3,700 million of credit facilities which mature in 2003. It is Duke Energy's intent to reduce its need for these facilities as the year progresses and thus resyndicate less than the total \$3,700 million.

Duke Energy's credit agreements contain various financial and other covenants. Failure to meet those covenants beyond applicable grace periods could result in acceleration of due dates of the borrowings and/or termination of the agreements. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy was in compliance with those covenants. In addition, certain of the agreements contain cross-acceleration provisions that may allow acceleration of payments or termination of the agreements upon nonpayment or acceleration of other significant indebtedness of the applicable borrower or certain of its subsidiaries.

12. Nuclear Decommissioning Costs

Nuclear Decommissioning Costs. Estimated site-specific nuclear decommissioning costs, including the cost of decommissioning plant components not subject to radioactive contamination, total approximately \$1.9 billion in 1999 dollars, based on decommissioning studies completed in 1999 (studies are completed every five years). This includes costs related to Duke Energy's 12.5% ownership in the Catawba Nuclear Station. The other joint owners of the Catawba Nuclear Station are responsible for decommissioning costs related to their ownership interests in the station. Both the NCUC and the PSCSC have allowed Duke Energy to recover estimated decommissioning costs through retail rates over the expected remaining service periods of Duke Energy's nuclear stations.

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The operating licenses for Duke Energy's nuclear units are subject to extension. In 2000, Duke Energy was granted a license renewal for the Oconee Nuclear Station. The service period extension of the Oconee Nuclear Station will not impact depreciation or nuclear decommissioning rates until the next depreciation and decommissioning studies are completed and new rates can be approved by the NCUC and the PSCSC. Applications to renew the operating licenses for Duke Energy's other nuclear units were filed with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) in June 2001. Duke Energy's nuclear units are currently licensed as follows:

Operating Licenses for Nuclear Units

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Expiration Year</u>
McGuire 1	2021
McGuire 2	2023
Catawba 1	2024
Catawba 2	2026
Oconee 1 and 2	2033
Oconee 3	2034

During 2002, Duke Energy expensed approximately \$59 million and contributed \$56 million of cash to external funds for decommissioning costs, and accrued an additional \$9 million to the internal reserve. During 2001, Duke Energy expensed approximately \$57 million, and contributed a corresponding amount of cash to external funds for decommissioning costs, and accrued an additional \$8 million to the internal reserve. Nuclear units are currently depreciated at an annual rate of 4.7%, of which 1.61% is for decommissioning. The balance of the external funds was \$708 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$716 million as of December 31, 2001. These amounts are reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Nuclear Decommissioning Trust Funds (asset) and Nuclear Decommissioning Costs Externally Funded (liability). The balance of the internal reserve was \$248 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$239 million as of December 31, 2001. These amounts are reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Accumulated Depreciation and Amortization.

The external decommissioning trust fund is invested primarily in domestic and international equity securities, fixed-rate, fixed-income securities and cash and cash equivalents. Per NRC and Internal Revenue Service mandates, these funds may be used only for activities related to nuclear decommissioning. Those investments are exposed to price fluctuations in equity markets and changes in interest rates. Because the accounting for nuclear decommissioning recognizes that costs are recovered through Franchised Electric's rates, fluctuations in equity prices or interest rates do not affect consolidated results of operations or cash flows. Management believes that the decommissioning costs being recovered through rates, when coupled with expected fund earnings, are sufficient to provide for the cost of decommissioning. (See discussion of SFAS No. 143 under the New Accounting Standards section of Note 1 for a discussion of accounting for asset retirement obligations.)

A provision in the Energy Policy Act of 1992 established a fund for the decontamination and decommissioning of the DOE's uranium enrichment plants (the D&D Fund). Licensees are subject to an annual assessment for 15 years based on their pro rata share of past enrichment services. Lawsuits filed by Duke Energy and other utilities challenging the constitutionality of the D&D Fund have been dismissed. The annual assessment is recorded in the Consolidated Statements of Income as Fuel Used in Electric Generation. Duke Energy has paid \$107 million into the fund, including \$11 million during 2002. The remaining liability and

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regulatory assets of \$44 million as of December 31, 2002 and \$53 million as of December 31, 2001 are reflected in the Consolidated Balance Sheets as Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities, and Regulatory Assets and Deferred Debits.

Spent Nuclear Fuel. Under provisions of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, Duke Energy contracted with the DOE for the disposal of spent nuclear fuel. The DOE failed to begin accepting spent nuclear fuel on January 31, 1998, the date specified by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act and in Duke Energy's contract with the DOE. In 1998, Duke Energy filed a claim with the U.S. Court of Federal Claims against the DOE related to the DOE's failure to accept commercial spent nuclear fuel by the required date. Damages claimed in the lawsuit are based upon Duke Energy's costs incurred as a result of the DOE's partial material breach of its contract, including the cost of securing additional spent fuel storage capacity. Duke Energy will continue to safely manage its spent nuclear fuel until the DOE accepts it. Payments made to the DOE for disposal costs are based on nuclear output and are included in the Consolidated Statements of Income as Fuel Used in Electric Generation.

13. Guaranteed Preferred Beneficial Interests in Subordinated Notes of Duke Energy or Subsidiaries

Duke Energy and Duke Capital Corporation have formed business trusts for which they own all the common securities. The trusts issue and sell preferred securities and invest the gross proceeds in junior subordinated notes issued by the respective parent companies.

Trust Preferred Securities

<u>Issued</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Due</u>	<u>December 31,</u>	
			<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
			<u>(in millions)</u>	
1997	7.20%	2037	\$ 350	\$ 350
1998	7.375%	2038	350	350
1998	7.375%	2038	250	250
1999	8.375%	2029	250	250
1999	7.20%	2039	250	250
Unamortized debt discount			(42)	(43)
			<u>\$1,408</u>	<u>\$1,407</u>

The trust preferred securities represent preferred undivided beneficial interests in the assets of the respective trusts. Distribution payments on the preferred securities are guaranteed by the respective parent companies, but only to the extent that the trust funds are legally and immediately available to make distributions. Dividends related to the trust preferred securities were \$108 million for 2002, 2001 and 2000, and have been included in the Consolidated Statements of Income as Minority Interest Expense.

14. Minority Interest

In 2000, Catawba River Associates, LLC (Catawba), a fully consolidated financing entity managed by a subsidiary of Duke Energy, issued \$1,025 million of preferred member interests to a third-party investor. Catawba subsequently advanced the proceeds from the issuance to DE Power Generation, LLC (DEPG), a wholly owned subsidiary of Duke Energy, which indirectly owns or leases six merchant power generation facilities located in California, Maine and Indiana. Catawba was a limited liability company with a separate existence and identity from its preferred members, and the assets of Catawba are separate and legally distinct

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from Duke Energy. The preferred member interests received a quarterly preferred return equal to an adjusted floating reference rate (approximately 2.85% for the full year ended December 31, 2002 and 5.20% for the full year ended December 31, 2001).

The purpose of the transaction was to reimburse Duke Energy for a portion of its prior investment in the DEPG assets through separate venture financing with third-party investors, not requiring direct recourse to the credit of Duke Energy. The results of operations, cash flows and financial position of Catawba were consolidated with Duke Energy for financial reporting purposes. The preferred member interests were included in Minority Interest in Financing Subsidiary on the 2001 Consolidated Balance Sheet, and the payments made with respect to the preferred return were included in Minority Interest Expense on the 2001 Consolidated Statement of Income of Duke Energy. The initial term of the financing ends in September 2005 and is repayable at that time unless extended by mutual consent.

In September 2002, Catawba distributed the receivable from DEPG to the preferred member, THOR, which simultaneously withdrew its interest. As a result, the \$1,025 million that DEPG previously owed to Catawba became an obligation to THOR and was reclassified on the 2002 Consolidated Balance Sheet to Long-term Debt. In October 2002, Duke Energy purchased the equity interests in THOR and effectively reduced the debt to \$994 million. Additionally, Duke Capital Corporation financially guaranteed the \$994 million in return for certain modifications to the terms of the credit agreement.

In connection with the Westcoast acquisition on March 14, 2002 (see Note 2), Duke Energy assumed \$411 million of authorized and issued redeemable preferred and preference shares at Union Gas and Westcoast. These shares are included in Minority Interest on the Consolidated Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2002.

15. Preferred and Preference Stock at Duke Energy

The following tables detail the preferred and preference stock at Duke Energy. The preferred and preference stock at Duke Energy's subsidiaries is excluded from the discussions below as those amounts are included in Minority Interest on the Consolidated Balance Sheets (see Note 14).

Authorized Shares of Stock as of December 31, 2002 and 2001

	<u>Par Value</u>	<u>Shares</u>
	<u>(in millions)</u>	
Preferred Stock	\$100	12.5
Preferred Stock A	\$ 25	10.0
Preference Stock	\$100	1.5

As of December 31, 2002 and 2001, there were no shares of preference stock outstanding at Duke Energy.

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Preferred Stock with Sinking Fund Requirements

Rate/Series	Year Issued	Shares Outstanding at December 31, 2002	December 31,	
			2002	2001
			(dollars in millions)	
6.40% V(a)	1992	—	\$—	\$13
6.75% X	1993	250,000	25	25
Total			\$ 25	\$38

(a) Preferred stock Series V redeemed in December 2002.

The annual sinking fund requirements are \$2 million each year for 2003 through 2007. Additional redemptions are permitted at Duke Energy's option.

Preferred Stock without Sinking Fund Requirements

Rate/Series	Year Issued	Shares Outstanding at December 31, 2002	December 31,	
			2002	2001
			(dollars in millions)	
4.50% C	1964	175,000	\$ 18	\$ 18
7.85% S	1992	300,000	30	30
7.00% W	1993	249,989	25	25
7.04% Y	1993	299,995	30	30
6.375% (Preferred Stock A)	1993	1,257,185	31	31
Auction Series A(a)	1990	—	—	75
Total			\$134	\$209

(a) Preferred stock Auction Series A redeemed in September 2002.

The call provisions for outstanding preferred stock specify redemption prices not exceeding 104% of par value, plus accumulated dividends to the redemption date.

16. Commitments and Contingencies

General Insurance

Duke Energy carries insurance coverage consistent with companies engaged in similar commercial operations with similar type properties. Duke Energy's insurance coverage includes (1) commercial general public liability insurance for liabilities arising to third parties for bodily injury and property damage resulting from our operations; (2) workers' compensation liability coverage to required statutory limits; (3) automobile liability insurance for all owned, non-owned and hired vehicles covering liabilities to third parties for bodily injury and property damage, and (4) property insurance covering the replacement value of all real and personal property damage, excluding electric transmission and distribution lines, including damages arising from boiler and machinery breakdowns, earthquake, flood damage and business interruption/extra expense. All coverages are subject to certain deductibles, terms and conditions common for companies with similar types of operations.

Duke Energy also maintains excess liability insurance coverage above the established primary limits for commercial general liability and automobile liability insurance. Limits, terms, conditions and deductibles are

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comparable to those carried by other energy companies of similar size. The costs of Duke Energy's general insurance coverage have increased significantly over the past year reflecting general conditions in the insurance markets.

Nuclear Insurance

Duke Energy owns and operates the McGuire and Oconee Nuclear Stations and operates and has a partial ownership interest in the Catawba Nuclear Station. The McGuire and Catawba Nuclear Stations have two nuclear reactors each and Oconee has three. Nuclear insurance includes: liability coverage; property, decontamination and decommissioning coverage; and business interruption and/or extra expense coverage. The other joint owners of the Catawba Nuclear Station reimburse Duke Energy for certain expenses associated with nuclear insurance premiums.

The Price-Anderson Act requires Duke Energy to insure against public liability claims resulting from nuclear incidents to the full limit of liability, approximately \$9.5 billion.

Primary Liability Insurance. Duke Energy has purchased the maximum available private primary liability insurance, \$200 million, as required by law. As of January 1, 2003, \$300 million in private primary liability insurance became available and Duke Energy purchased that amount along with a like amount to cover certain worker tort claims.

Excess Liability Insurance. This policy currently provides approximately \$9.3 billion of coverage through the Price-Anderson Act's mandatory industry-wide excess secondary insurance program of risk pooling. The \$9.3 billion is the sum of the current potential cumulative retrospective premium assessments of \$88 million per licensed commercial nuclear reactor. This would be increased by \$88 million for each additional commercial nuclear reactor licensed, or reduced by \$88 million for nuclear reactors no longer operational and may be exempted from the risk pooling insurance program. Under this program, licensees could be assessed retrospective premiums to compensate for damages in the event of a nuclear incident at any licensed facility in the U.S. If such an incident should occur and public liability damages exceed primary insurances, licensees may be assessed up to \$88 million for each of their licensed reactors, payable at a rate not to exceed \$10 million a year per licensed reactor for each incident. The \$88 million is subject to indexing for inflation and may be subject to state premium taxes.

Duke Energy is a member of Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited (NEIL), which provides property and business interruption insurance coverage for Duke Energy's nuclear facilities under three policy programs:

Primary Property Insurance. This policy provides \$500 million of primary property damage coverage for each of Duke Energy's nuclear facilities.

Excess Property Insurance. This policy provides excess property, decontamination and decommissioning liability insurance: \$2.25 billion for the Catawba Nuclear Station and \$2.0 billion each for the Oconee and McGuire Nuclear Stations.

Business Interruption Insurance. This policy provides business interruption and/or extra expense coverage resulting from an accidental outage of a nuclear unit. Each McGuire and Catawba unit is insured for up to approximately \$4 million per week, and the Oconee units are insured for up to approximately \$3 million per week. Coverage amounts decline if more than one unit is involved in an accidental outage. Initial coverage begins after a 12-week deductible period and continues at 100% for 52 weeks and 80% for the next 110 weeks.

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If NEIL's losses exceed its reserves for any of the above three programs, Duke Energy is liable for assessments of up to 10 times its annual premiums. The current potential maximum assessments are: Primary Property Insurance—\$35 million, Excess Property Insurance—\$40 million and Business Interruption Insurance—\$29 million.

The other joint owners of the Catawba Nuclear Station are obligated to assume their pro rata share of liability for retrospective premiums and other premium assessments resulting from the Price-Anderson Act's excess secondary insurance program of risk pooling, or the NEIL policies.

Environmental

Duke Energy is subject to international, federal, state and local regulations regarding air and water quality, hazardous and solid waste disposal and other environmental matters.

Remediation activities. Duke Energy and its affiliates are responsible for environmental remediation at various impacted properties or contaminated sites similar to others in the energy industry. These include some properties that are part of ongoing Duke Energy operations, as well as sites formerly owned or used by Duke Energy entities and sites owned by third parties. These matters typically involve management of contaminated soils and may involve ground water remediation. They are managed in conjunction with the relevant federal, state and local agencies. These sites or matters vary, for example, with respect to site conditions and location, remedial requirements, sharing of responsibility by other entities, and complexity. Certain matters can involve statutory joint and several liability provisions, strict liability, or cost recovery or contribution actions, whereby Duke Energy or its affiliates could potentially be held responsible for contamination caused by other parties. In some instances, Duke Energy may share any liability associated with contamination with other potentially responsible parties, and Duke Energy may benefit from insurance policies or contractual indemnities that cover some cleanup costs. All these sites generally are managed in the normal course of the respective business or affiliate operations. Management believes that completion or resolution of these matters will have no material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations, cash flows, or financial position.

Air Quality Control. In 1998, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued a final rule on regional ozone control that required 22 eastern states and the District of Columbia to revise their State Implementation Plans (SIPs) to significantly reduce emissions of nitrogen oxide by May 1, 2003. The EPA rule was challenged in court by various states, industry and other interests, including Duke Energy and the states of North Carolina and South Carolina. In 2000, the court upheld most aspects of the EPA rule. The same court subsequently extended the compliance deadline for implementation of emission reductions to May 31, 2004. Both North Carolina and South Carolina have revised their SIPs in response to the EPA's 1998 rule, and the EPA has approved these revisions. Duke Energy has incurred approximately \$380 million in capital costs for emission controls through 2002 for compliance with the EPA's rule. Management estimates that Duke Energy's remaining capital expenditures to complete the installation of emission controls needed to comply with the EPA's rule will be approximately \$300 million. These remaining expenditures will be incurred through 2004.

In June 2002, the state of North Carolina passed new clean air legislation that includes provisions that freeze electric utility rates from June 20, 2002 (the effective date of the statute) to December 31, 2007 (rate freeze period), subject to certain conditions, in order for North Carolina electric utilities, including Duke Energy, to make significant reductions in emissions of sulfur dioxide and nitrogen oxides from the state's coal-fired power plants over the next ten years. Management estimates Duke Energy's cost of achieving the proposed emission reductions over the next ten years to be approximately \$1.5 billion in total. Included in the legislation are provisions that allow electric utilities, including Duke Energy, to accelerate the recovery of these compliance

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costs by amortizing them over seven years (2003-2009). During the rate freeze period, Duke Energy is expected to recover 70% of the total estimated costs of plant improvements. In years six and seven of the recovery period, the NCUC will determine how any remaining costs will be recovered. Emission control retrofits needed to comply with the new legislation are large technical, design and construction projects. These projects will be managed closely to ensure the continuation of reliable electric service to Duke Energy's customers throughout the projects and upon their completion.

In 2000, the U.S. Justice Department, acting on behalf of the EPA, filed a complaint against Duke Energy in the U.S. District Court in Greensboro, North Carolina, for alleged violations of the New Source Review (NSR) provisions of the Clean Air Act (CAA). The EPA claims that 29 projects performed at 25 of Duke Energy's coal-fired units were major modifications, as defined in the CAA, and that Duke Energy violated the CAA's NSR requirements when it undertook those projects without obtaining permits and installing emission controls for sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxide and particulate matter. The complaint asks the court to order Duke Energy to stop operating the coal-fired units identified in the complaint, install additional emission controls and pay unspecified civil penalties. This complaint is part of the EPA's NSR enforcement initiative, in which the EPA claims that utilities and others have committed widespread violations of the CAA permitting requirements for the past 25 years. The EPA has sued, or issued notices of violation or investigative information requests, to at least 94 other electric utilities and cooperatives.

The EPA's allegations run counter to previous EPA guidance regarding the applicability of the NSR permitting requirements. Duke Energy, along with other utilities, has routinely undertaken the type of repair, replacement and maintenance projects that the EPA now claims are illegal. Duke Energy believes that all of its electric generation units are properly permitted and have been properly maintained, and is defending itself vigorously against these alleged violations. Trial is tentatively set for September 2003. The CAA authorizes civil penalties of up to \$27,500 per day per violation at each generating unit. Civil penalties, if ultimately imposed by the court, and the cost of any required new pollution control equipment, if the court accepts the EPA's contentions, could be substantial. The EPA's final and proposed NSR reforms, published in 2002, have no direct effect on the status of Duke Energy's lawsuit. Because these matters are in a preliminary stage, management cannot estimate the effects of these matters on Duke Energy's future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Global Climate Change. In 1997, the United Nations held negotiations in Kyoto, Japan, as part of an ongoing process to address concerns over global warming and climate change. The resulting Kyoto Protocol prescribed greenhouse gas emission reductions among developed countries equivalent to five percent below their 1990 aggregate emission levels. While the Kyoto Protocol does not mandate specific mitigation actions or approaches, most participating developed nations understood an area of focus would be on reducing greenhouse gas emissions at their sources, including, among other sources, fossil-fueled electric power generation and natural gas operations. In 2001 President George W. Bush stated his opposition to the Kyoto Protocol, and declared that the U.S. will not ratify it. Australia, where Duke Energy has natural gas pipeline and some electric generation assets, has also declined to ratify the Kyoto Protocol.

Over 100 other countries have, however, ratified the Kyoto Protocol and it is possible that the agreement will enter into force and effect if other nations follow suit. Canada, where Duke Energy owns and operates

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natural gas pipeline assets, ratified the Kyoto Protocol in December 2002. If Russia were also to ratify the Kyoto Protocol, then the treaty would enter into force and Canada would be obligated to reduce its average greenhouse gas emissions to 6% below 1990 levels over the period 2008 to 2012. In anticipation of the entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol, Canada is developing an implementation plan contemplating a mix of sector-specific measures requiring a range of mandatory business actions to achieve emissions reductions, as well as emissions caps coupled with an emissions trading system. Targets for emissions reductions under such a Canadian scheme could be established under negotiated covenants with industry sectors, including the oil and gas sector, which encompasses most of Duke Energy's Canadian natural gas pipeline assets. Should the Kyoto Protocol enter into force, and depending on the nature of policies and measures adopted by the Canadian government, it is possible that Duke Energy's Canadian assets could be required to reduce its present emissions of greenhouse gases in some manner and/or to purchase emissions credits in the Canadian market or take other steps.

In these and other respects, the entry into force of the Kyoto Protocol, and the domestic policies and measures of countries participating in the treaty regime, could have far-reaching and significant implications for industries in those countries, including their respective energy sectors. These developments could specifically affect Duke Energy operations in those countries that are participating in the Kyoto Protocol, like Canada. It might also provide new opportunities to companies, for example, in the natural gas sector or in emissions trading and marketing arenas. There are also U.S. and Australian domestic or state-specific initiatives and proposals that could have analogous effects on segments of the energy sector on different scales. The outcome of these discussions and negotiations, like those occurring in Canada as described above, is highly uncertain, and Duke Energy cannot estimate the effects these discussions and negotiations might have on future consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position. Duke Energy stays abreast of and engaged in the Kyoto Protocol discussions and related developments concerning the climate change issue, and will continue to assess and respond to its potential implications for Duke Energy's business operations in the U.S., Canada and around the world.

Extended Environmental Activities, Accruals. Included in Other Current Liabilities and Other Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities were accruals related to extended environmental-related activities of \$97 million at December 31, 2002 and \$162 million at December 31, 2001. The accrual for extended environmental-related activities represents Duke Energy's provisions for costs associated with some of its current and former sites and certain other environmental matters. Management believes that completion or resolution of these matters will have no material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations, cash flows, or financial position.

Litigation

Western Power Disputes. *California Litigation.* Duke Energy, some of its subsidiaries and three current or former executives have been named as defendants, along with numerous other corporate and individual defendants, in one or more of a total of 15 lawsuits filed in California on behalf of purchasers of electricity in the State of California, with one suit filed on behalf of a Washington state electricity purchaser. Most of these lawsuits seek class-action certification and damages and other relief, as a result of the defendants' alleged unlawful manipulation of the California wholesale electricity markets. These lawsuits generally allege that the defendants manipulated the wholesale electricity markets in violation of state laws against unfair and unlawful business practices and, in some suits, in violation of state antitrust laws. Plaintiffs in these lawsuits seek aggregate damages of billions of dollars. The lawsuits seek the restitution and/or disgorgement of alleged unlawfully obtained revenues for sales of electricity and, in some lawsuits, an award of treble damages for alleged violations of state antitrust laws.

The first six of these lawsuits were filed in late 2000 through mid-2001 and were consolidated before a single judge in San Diego. The plaintiffs in the six lawsuits filed a joint Master Amended Complaint in March 2002, which added additional defendants. The claims against the additional defendants are similar to those in the original complaints. In April 2002, some defendants, including Duke Energy, filed cross-complaints against various market participants not named as defendants in the plaintiffs' original and amended complaints. In May 2002, certain cross-defendants removed these actions to federal court in San Diego.

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The other nine of these 15 suits were filed in mid-to-late 2002. The state court suits have been removed to federal court, and all suits have been transferred to federal court in San Diego for pre-trial consolidation with the previously filed six lawsuits. Various motions are pending before the courts, including motions concerning the jurisdiction of the courts and motions to dismiss claims of the parties. In December 2002, the court ordered the remand of the original six suits, and certain defendants and cross-defendants have appealed that ruling. In February 2003, the Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit issued an order accepting the appeal and stayed the remand order of the district court.

In January 2003, the federal court in San Diego granted the motion of the defendants to dismiss the suit filed by the Washington state plaintiff. The court ruled that the plaintiff's state law claims, including alleged violations of the California antitrust and unfair business practices laws, were barred on filed rate and federal preemption grounds.

In addition to the foregoing lawsuits, in March 2003 a California state court in Los Angeles unsealed a lawsuit originally filed in August 2002 against numerous energy company defendants, including DETM. The plaintiffs, seeking to act on behalf of the State of California under the False Claims Act, made claims similar to those in other lawsuits alleging manipulation of the electricity market in California, and claims that defendants, conspiring to defraud state governmental entities, made "false records or statements." The plaintiffs seek unspecified damages in the maximum amount allowed under the pertinent laws.

Related Oregon and Washington Litigation. In December 2002, plaintiffs filed class-action suits against Duke Energy and numerous other energy companies in state court in Oregon and in federal court in Washington state making allegations similar to those in the California suits. Plaintiffs allege they paid unreasonably high prices for electricity and/or natural gas during the time period from January 2000 to the present as a result of defendants' activities which were fraudulent, negligent and in violation of each state's business practices laws. Among other things, they seek damages, an order from the court prohibiting the defendants from engaging in the alleged unlawful acts complained of, and an accounting of the transactions entered into for the purchase and sale of wholesale energy.

Trade publications. In November 2002, the Lieutenant Governor of the State of California, on behalf of himself, the general public and taxpayers of California, filed a class-action suit against the publisher of natural gas trade publications and numerous other defendants, including seven Duke Energy entities, in state court in Los Angeles, alleging that the defendants engaged in various unlawful acts, including artificially inflating the index prices of natural gas reported in industry publications through collusive behavior, and have thereby violated state business practices laws. The plaintiffs seek an order prohibiting the defendants from engaging in the acts complained of, restitution, disgorgement of profits acquired through defendants' alleged unlawful acts, an award of civil fines, compensatory and punitive damages in unspecified amounts and other appropriate relief.

Other proceedings. In addition to the lawsuits, several investigations and regulatory proceedings at the state and federal levels are looking into the causes of high wholesale electricity prices in the western U.S. during 2000 and 2001. At the federal level, numerous proceedings are before the FERC. Some parties to those proceedings have made claims for billions of dollars of refunds from sellers of wholesale electricity, including DETM. Some parties have also sought to revoke the authority of DETM and other DENA-affiliated electricity marketers to sell electricity at market-based rates. The FERC is also conducting its own wholesale pricing investigation. As a result, the FERC has ordered some sellers, including DETM, to refund, or to offset against outstanding accounts receivable, amounts billed for electricity sales in excess of a FERC-established proxy price. In June 2001, DETM offset approximately \$20 million against amounts owed by the California Independent System Operator (CAISO) and the California Power Exchange (CalPX) for electricity sales during January and February 2001. This offset reduced the \$110 million reserve established in 2000 to \$90 million. Since December 31, 2000, Duke Energy has closely managed the balance of doubtful receivables, and believes that the current pre-tax bad debt provision of \$90 million is appropriate. No additional provisions for California receivables and market risk were recorded in 2001 or 2002.

In December 2002, the presiding administrative law judge in the FERC refund proceedings issued his proposed findings with respect to the mitigated market clearing price, including his preliminary determinations of the refund liability of each seller of electricity in the CAISO and CalPX. These proposed findings estimate that

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DETM has refund liability of approximately \$95 million in the aggregate to both the CAISO and CalPX. This would be offset against the remaining receivables still owed to DETM by the CAISO and CalPX. The proposed findings are the presiding judge's estimates only, and are still subject to further recalculation and adoption by the FERC in connection with its ongoing wholesale pricing investigation. On March 3, 2003, various parties (including the California attorney general) filed at the FERC seeking modification of the FERC's refund orders alleging that DETM and others manipulated wholesale electricity prices in periods prior to the initial refund period. DETM is preparing a response to these allegations which is due to the FERC on March 20, 2003.

At the state level, the California Public Utilities Commission is conducting formal and informal investigations to determine if power plant operators in California, including some Duke Energy entities, have improperly "withheld," either economically or physically, generation output from the market to manipulate market prices. In addition, the California State Senate formed a Select Committee to Investigate Price Manipulation of the Wholesale Energy Market (Select Committee). The Select Committee served a subpoena on Duke Energy and some of its subsidiaries seeking data concerning their California market activities. The Select Committee heard testimony from several witnesses but no one from Duke Energy has been subpoenaed to testify.

The California Attorney General is also conducting an investigation to determine if any market participants engaged in illegal activity, including antitrust violations, in the course of their electricity sales into wholesale markets in the western U.S. The Attorneys General of Washington and Oregon are participating in the California Attorney General's investigation. The San Diego District Attorney is conducting a separate investigation into market activities and issued subpoenas to DETM and a DENA subsidiary.

The U.S. Attorney's Office in San Francisco served a grand jury subpoena on Duke Energy in November 2002 seeking, in general, information relating to possible manipulation of the electricity markets in California, including potential antitrust violations. As with the other ongoing investigations related to the California electricity markets, Duke Energy is cooperating with the U.S. Attorney's Office in connection with its investigation.

Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) and City of Burbank, California FERC Complaints. In July 2002 and August 2002, respectively, the Sacramento Municipal Utility District and the City of Burbank, California filed complaints with the FERC against DETM and other providers of wholesale energy requesting that the FERC mitigate alleged unjust and unreasonable prices in sales contracts entered into between DETM and the complainants in the first quarter of 2001. The complainants, alleging that DETM had the ability to exercise market power, claim that the contract prices are unjust and unreasonable because they were entered into during a period that the FERC determined the western markets to be dysfunctional and uncompetitive and that the western markets influenced their price. In support of their request to mitigate the contract price, the complainants rely on the fact that the contract prices are higher than prices in the West following implementation of the FERC's June 2001 price mitigation plan. The complainants request the FERC to set "just and reasonable" contract rates and to promptly set a refund effective date. In September 2002, the FERC issued an order in the Sacramento matter setting forth, in part, that the matter be set for an evidentiary hearing to be held in abeyance until the parties engage in settlement negotiations and that a refund effective date of September 22, 2002 be established. DETM participated in settlement proceedings and reached a settlement with the SMUD in February 2003. In February 2003, the SMUD filed to withdraw its FERC complaint against DETM. On March 10, 2003, the FERC issued an order in the Burbank matter setting forth, in part, that the matter be set for an evidentiary hearing to be held in abeyance until the parties engage in settlement negotiations, and that a refund effective date of October 11, 2002 be established.

Colorado River Commission of Nevada (CRCN) /Pioneer Companies (Pioneer). The State of Nevada, through the CRCN, filed an "interpleader" complaint in federal court in Nevada on July 9, 2002, against Pioneer and 13 vendors, including DETM, who entered into power transactions with the CRCN between January 1998

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and the filing date of the suit. The CRCN alleges that it purchased power on behalf of Pioneer but that Pioneer has disavowed its contractual liability to pay for certain of those power transactions. The CRCN asserts that DETM and the other vendors may have claims for the value of their contracts with the CRCN in excess of \$100 million. The CRCN asks the court to assess the competing claims of the parties and distribute the assets which it seeks to deposit into the registry of the court (cash assets of approximately \$35 million allegedly held for Pioneer's behalf as well as the value of electric power delivered or to be delivered on Pioneer's behalf) and issue other appropriate orders to resolve the claims while prohibiting the institution or prosecution of other proceedings affecting the claims at issue. DETM and certain other parties have filed motions to dismiss the complaint on various grounds. In February 2003, the court granted the motions of DETM and other interpleader defendants by dismissing the interpleader complaint in its entirety for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.

The Western Power Disputes are in their early stages. Duke Energy continues to evaluate the facts and asserted claims in the Western Power Disputes and intends to vigorously defend itself.

ExxonMobil Corporation Arbitration. In 2000, three Duke Energy subsidiaries initiated binding arbitration against three Exxon Mobil Corporation subsidiaries (the ExxonMobil entities) concerning the parties' joint ownership of DETM and related affiliates (the Ventures). At issue was a buy-out right provision under the joint venture agreements for these entities. If there is a material business dispute between the parties, which Duke Energy alleged had occurred, the buy-out provision gives Duke Energy the right to purchase Exxon Mobil's 40% interest in DETM. Exxon Mobil does not have a similar right under the joint venture agreements and once Duke Energy exercises the buy-out right, each party has the right to "unwind" the buy-out under certain specific circumstances. In December 2000, Duke Energy exercised its right to buy the Exxon Mobil entities' interest in the Ventures. Duke Energy claimed that refusal by the Exxon Mobil entities to honor the exercise was a breach of the buy-out right provision, and sought specific performance of the provision. Duke Energy also made additional claims against the Exxon Mobil entities for breach of the agreements governing the Ventures. Exxon Mobil also asserted breach of contract claims against Duke Energy.

In December 2002, an arbitration panel issued a binding ruling against Exxon Mobil on its claims against Duke Energy and granted Duke Energy favorable declaratory relief. Duke Energy has terminated the previously exercised buy-out provision.

Trading Matters. Since April 2002, 17 shareholder class-action lawsuits have been filed against Duke Energy: 13 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and four in the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina. The 13 lawsuits pending in New York were consolidated into one action and included as co-defendants Duke Energy executives and two investment banking firms. In December 2002, the New York court granted in all respects the defendants' motion to dismiss the plaintiffs' claims. The four lawsuits pending in North Carolina name as co-defendants Duke Energy executives. Two of the four North Carolina suits have been consolidated and involve claims under the Employee Retirement Income and Security Act relating to Duke Energy's Retirement Savings Plan. This consolidated action names Duke Energy board members as co-defendants. In addition, Duke Energy has received three shareholder derivative notices demanding that it commence litigation against named executives and directors of Duke Energy for alleged breaches of fiduciary duties and insider trading. Duke Energy's response to the derivative demands is not required until 90 days after receipt of written notice requesting a response.

The class-action lawsuits and the threatened shareholder derivative claims arise out of allegations that Duke Energy improperly engaged in "round trip" trades which resulted in an alleged overstatement of revenues over a three-year period. The plaintiffs seek recovery of an unstated amount of compensatory damages, attorneys' fees and costs for alleged violations of securities laws. In one of the lawsuits, the plaintiffs assert a common law fraud

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claim and seek, in addition to compensatory damages, disgorgement and punitive damages. Duke Energy intends to vigorously defend itself and its named executives and board members against these allegations.

In 2002, Duke Energy responded to information requests and subpoenas from the FERC, the SEC, and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), and to grand jury subpoenas issued by the U.S. Attorney's office in Houston, Texas. All information requests and subpoenas seek documents and information related to trading activities, including so-called "round-trip" trading. Duke Energy received notice in mid-October that the SEC formalized its investigation regarding "round-trip" trading. Duke Energy is cooperating with the respective governmental agencies.

Duke Energy submitted a final report to the SEC based on a review of approximately 750,000 trades made by various Duke Energy subsidiaries between January 1, 1999 and June 30, 2002. Outside counsel conducted an extensive review of trading, accounting and other records, with the assistance of Duke Energy senior legal, corporate risk management and accounting personnel. Duke Energy identified 28 "round-trip" transactions done for the apparent purpose of increasing volumes on the Intercontinental Exchange and 61 "round-trip" transactions done at the direction of one of Duke Energy's traders that did not have a legitimate business purpose and were contrary to corporate policy.

As a result of the trading review, Duke Energy has taken appropriate disciplinary action and put in place additional risk management procedures to improve and strengthen the oversight and controls of its trading operations. Duke Energy has also reconfirmed to employees that engaging in simultaneous or prearranged transactions that lack a legitimate business purpose, or any trading activities that lack a legitimate business purpose, is against company policy.

As a result of Duke Energy's findings in the course of its investigation related to the SEC inquiry on "round-trip" trades, DENA identified accounting issues that justified adjustments which reduced its operating income by \$11 million during 2002. An additional \$2 million charge was recorded in other Duke Energy business segments related to these findings. Duke Energy completed its analysis of such round-trip trades in 2002.

In October 2002, the FERC issued a data request to the "Largest North American Gas Marketers, As Measured by 2001 Physical Sales Volumes (Bcf/d)," including DETM. In general, the data request asks for information concerning natural gas price data that was submitted by the gas marketers to entities that publish natural gas price indices. DETM responded to the FERC's data request and is also responding to requests that the CFTC has made for similar information. Management is unable to predict what, if any, action the FERC and the CFTC will take with respect to these matters.

Sonatrach. Duke Energy LNG Sales, Inc. (Duke LNG) initiated arbitration proceedings against Sonatrach, the Algerian state-owned energy company, alleging that Sonatrach had breached its obligations by its failure to provide shipping under certain LNG Purchase and Transportation Agreements (the Sonatrach Agreements) relating to Duke LNG's purchase of liquefied natural gas (LNG) from Algeria and its transportation by LNG tanker to Lake Charles, Louisiana. In response to Duke LNG's claims, Sonatrach, together with its LNG sales and marketing subsidiary, Sonatrading Amsterdam B.V. (Sonatrading), have claimed that Duke LNG repudiated the Sonatrach Agreements as a result of, among other things, Duke LNG's alleged failure to diligently seek commitments from customers, and to submit offers to Sonatrading based on such commitments, for the purchase of LNG from Sonatrading. By virtue of Duke LNG's alleged breaches, Sonatrach and Sonatrading seek to terminate the Sonatrach Agreements and to recover damages from Duke LNG. The final evidentiary hearing in the liability phase of this arbitration was concluded in January 2003 in London. Briefing and oral argument on this phase will be completed in March 2003, and a ruling from the panel on issues of liability is expected by late summer 2003. The damages phase for this proceeding will be scheduled following the panel's liability ruling.

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Management believes that the final disposition of the Sonatrach proceedings will have no material adverse effect on the consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Enron Bankruptcy. In December 2001, Enron filed for relief pursuant to Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. Additional affiliates have filed for bankruptcy since that date. Certain affiliates of Duke Energy engaged in transactions with various Enron entities prior to the bankruptcy filings. DETM was a member of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the bankruptcy cases which are being jointly administered, but as of February 2003, DETM resigned from the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the Enron bankruptcy case. Duke Energy has taken a reserve to offset its exposure to Enron.

In mid-November 2002, various Enron trading entities demanded payment from DETM and DEM for certain energy commodity sales transactions without regard to the set off rights of DETM and DEM and demanded that DETM detail balances due under certain master trading agreements without regard to the set-off rights of DETM. On December 13, 2002, DETM and DEM filed an adversary proceeding against Enron, seeking, among other things, a declaration affirming each plaintiff's right to set off its respective debts to Enron. The complaint alleges that the Enron affiliates were operated by Enron as its alter ego and as components of a single trading enterprise and that DETM and DEM should be permitted to exercise their respective rights of mutual set-off against the Enron trading enterprise under the Bankruptcy Code. The complaint also seeks the imposition of a constructive trust so that any claims by Enron against DETM or DEM are subject to the respective set off rights of DETM and DEM. Enron has filed a motion to dismiss, asserting that DETM and DEM are not entitled to the requested relief.

Management believes that the final disposition of the Enron bankruptcy will have no material adverse effect on the consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Injuries and Damages Claims. Duke Energy has experienced numerous claims relating to damages for personal injuries alleged to have arisen from the exposure to or use of asbestos in connection with construction and maintenance activities conducted by Duke Energy on its electric generation plants during the 1960s and 1970s. During 1999, Duke Energy experienced a significant increase in the number of these claims. This increase, coupled with its cumulative experience in claims received, prompted Duke Energy to conduct a comprehensive review which was completed in late 1999 and to record an \$800 million accrual, to reflect the purchase of a third-party insurance policy as well as estimated amounts for future claims not recoverable under such policy. The insurance policy, combined with amounts covered by self-insurance reserves, provides for claims paid up to an aggregate of \$1.6 billion. Duke Energy currently believes the estimated claims relating to this exposure will not exceed such amount. While Duke Energy is uncertain as to the timing of when claims will be received, portions of the estimated claims may not be received and paid for 30 or more years.

While Duke Energy has recorded an accrual related to this estimated liability, such estimates cannot be made with certainty. Factors, such as the frequency and magnitude of claims, could result in changes in the estimates of the injuries and damages liability and insurance recoveries. Such changes could result in, over time, a difference from the amount currently reflected in the consolidated financial statements. However, due to Duke Energy's insurance program relating to this liability, management believes that any changes in the estimates would not have a material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Other Litigation and Legal Proceedings. Duke Energy and its subsidiaries are involved in other legal, tax and regulatory proceedings before various courts, regulatory commissions and governmental agencies regarding

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performance, contracts, royalty disputes, mismeasurement and mispayment claims (some of which are brought as class actions), and other matters arising in the ordinary course of business, some of which involve substantial amounts. Management believes that the final disposition of these proceedings will have no material adverse effect on consolidated results of operations, cash flows or financial position.

Other Commitments and Contingencies

As part of its normal business, Duke Energy is a party to various financial guarantees, performance guarantees and other contractual commitments to extend guarantees of credit and other assistance to various subsidiaries, investees and other third parties. These arrangements are largely entered into by Duke Capital Corporation. To varying degrees, these guarantees involve elements of performance and credit risk, which are not included on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. The possibility of Duke Energy or Duke Capital Corporation having to honor its contingencies is largely dependent upon future operations of various subsidiaries, investees and other third parties, or the occurrence of certain future events. Duke Energy would record a reserve if events occurred that required that one be established. (See Note 17.)

In addition, Duke Energy enters into various fixed-price, non-cancelable commitments to purchase or sell power (tolling arrangements or power purchase contracts), take-or-pay arrangements, transportation or throughput agreements and other contracts that may or may not be recognized on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. Some of these arrangements may be recognized at market value on the Consolidated Balance Sheets as trading contracts or qualifying hedge positions included in Unrealized Gains or Losses on Mark-to-Market and Hedging Transactions.

The following table summarizes Duke Energy's contractual cash obligations for the items listed below for each of the years presented.

Contractual Cash Obligations

	Payments Due					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Thereafter
	(in millions)					
Firm capacity payments(a)	\$ 632	\$418	\$364	\$298	\$236	\$1,298
Purchase commitments(b)	668	376	272	151	113	402
Other(c)	309	8	3	1	1	—
Total contractual cash obligations(d)	<u>\$1,609</u>	<u>\$802</u>	<u>\$639</u>	<u>\$450</u>	<u>\$350</u>	<u>\$1,700</u>

- (a) Includes firm capacity payments that provide Duke Energy with uninterrupted firm access to natural gas transportation and storage, electricity transmission capacity, and the option to convert natural gas to electricity at third-party owned facilities (tolling arrangements) in some natural gas and power locations throughout North America. Based on current estimates, the market value of underlying transportation, storage and electricity available under such arrangements (including related hedges) exceeds the discounted fair value of the capacity payments. Also includes firm capacity payments under electric power agreements entered into to meet Duke Power native load requirements and firm transmission capacity on other systems purchased for the transport of electricity sold at wholesale rates. Amounts exclude transmission capacity purchased by the Duke Power wholesale merchant function on the Duke Power transmission system, which is eliminated in consolidation.
- (b) Amounts include purchase commitments for nuclear fuel supply contracts, power purchases, natural gas, coal, splitter agreements, terminaling fees for residual fuel, refined fuel and coal, and contracts for software, telephone, data and wireless services. Amounts also reflect Duke Energy's renegotiated obligations as of

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December 2002 to purchase gas-fired turbines, steam turbines and heat recovery steam generators (HRSG). Firm commitments under the turbine and HRSG purchase agreements are payable consistent with the respective delivery schedule of each project. Purchase agreements include milestone requirements by the manufacturer and provide Duke Energy with the ability to cancel the discrete purchase order commitment in exchange for a termination fee, which escalates over time.

- (c) Amounts include engineering, procurement and construction costs for power generation facilities in North America. Such amounts are payable to D/FD, a related party in which Duke Energy has a 50% equity interest, and are excluded from the Consolidated Balance Sheets since Duke Energy accounts for D/FD using the equity method of accounting. Amounts also include engineering, procurement and construction costs for power generation facilities in Guatemala.
- (d) See Note 11 for debt obligations and below for lease obligations.

Leases

Duke Energy leases assets in several areas of its operations. Consolidated rental expense for operating leases was \$133 million in 2002, \$114 million in 2001 and \$90 million in 2000. Future minimum rental payments under operating leases consisted of the following as of December 31, 2002:

	<u>(in millions)</u>
2003	\$ 81
2004	63
2005	43
2006	27
2007	21
Thereafter	48
Total future minimum lease payments	<u>\$283</u>

17. Guarantees and Indemnifications

Duke Energy and certain of its subsidiaries have various financial and performance guarantees and indemnifications which are issued in the normal course of business. As discussed below, these contracts include performance guarantees, stand-by letters of credit, guarantees of debt, surety bonds, and indemnifications. Duke Energy enters into these arrangements to facilitate a commercial transaction with a third party by enhancing the value of the transaction to the third party.

Mixed Oxide (MOX) Guarantees. DCS is the prime contractor to the DOE under a contract (the Prime Contract) in which DCS will design, construct, operate and deactivate a MOX fuel fabrication facility (MOX FFF). The domestic MOX fuel project was precipitated by the U.S. and the Russian Federation agreeing to dispose of excess plutonium in their respective nuclear weapons programs through efforts to fabricate and irradiate MOX fuel in commercial nuclear reactors. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Energy, through its indirect wholly owned subsidiary, Duke Project Services Group, Inc. (DPSG), held a 40% ownership interest in DCS. Additionally, Duke Power has entered into a subcontract (the Duke Power Subcontract) under which Duke Power has agreed to prepare its McGuire and Catawba nuclear reactors (the Nuclear Reactors) for use of the MOX fuel and to purchase MOX fuel produced at the MOX FFF for use in the Nuclear Reactors.

As required under the Prime Contract, DPSG and the other owners of DCS have issued a guarantee (the DOE Guarantee) pursuant to which the owners of DCS jointly and severally guarantee to DOE all of DCS'

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payment and performance obligations under the Prime Contract. The Prime Contract consists of a “Base Contract” phase and three optional phases, with the DOE having the right to extend the term of the Prime Contract to cover the three optional phases on a sequential basis, subject to DCS and the DOE reaching agreement through good faith negotiations on certain remaining open terms applying to each of these option phases. Each of the three option phases will be negotiated separately, as the time for exercising such option phase becomes due under the Prime Contract. If the DOE does not exercise its right to extend the term of the Prime Contract to cover any or all of the optional phases, DCS’ performance obligations under the Prime Contract will end upon completion of the then current performance phase. The Base Contract phase covers the design of the MOX FFF and design modifications to the Nuclear Reactors. The Base Contract phase provides for DCS to receive cost reimbursement plus a fixed fee. The first option phase includes construction and cold startup of the MOX FFF and modification of the Nuclear Reactors. The first option phase provides for DCS to receive cost reimbursement plus an incentive fee. The second option phase provides for taking the MOX FFF from cold to hot startup, operation of the MOX FFF, and irradiation of the MOX fuel in the Nuclear Reactors. The second option phase provides for DCS to receive a cost reimbursement plus an incentive fee through hot startup and, thereafter, cost-sharing plus a fee. The third option phase provides for the deactivation of the MOX FFF. As of December 31, 2002, DCS’ performance obligations under the Prime Contract extended only to the Base Contract phase since the DOE has not yet exercised its option to extend the term of performance under the Prime Contract to the first option phase and DCS and the DOE have not yet agreed on all open terms and conditions applicable to such phase.

Additionally, DPSG and the other owners of DCS have issued a guarantee (the Duke Power Guarantee) pursuant to which the owners of DCS jointly and severally guarantee to Duke Power all of DCS’ payment and performance obligations under the Duke Power Subcontract or any other agreement between DCS and Duke Power implementing the Prime Contract. The Duke Power Subcontract consists of a “Base Subcontract” phase and two optional phases, with DCS having the right to extend each phase of the contract on a sequential basis, subject to Duke Power and DCS reaching agreement through good faith negotiations on certain remaining open terms applying to each of these option phases. Under the Base Subcontract phase, Duke Power will perform technical and regulatory work required to prepare the Nuclear Reactors to use MOX fuel. The Base Subcontract phase provides for Duke Power to receive cost reimbursement plus a fixed fee. The first option phase provides for modification to the Nuclear Reactors as well as additional technical and regulatory work. The first option phase provides for Duke Power to receive cost reimbursement plus a fee. The second option phase provides for Duke Power to purchase from DCSMOX fuel produced at the MOX FFF for use in the Nuclear Reactors, at discounts to prices of equivalent uranium fuel, over a 15 year period commencing upon completion of the first option phase. As of December 31, 2002, DCS’ performance obligations under the Duke Power Subcontract extended only to the Base Subcontract phase since DCS has not yet exercised its option to extend the term of performance under the Duke Power Subcontract to the first option phase and DCS and Duke Power have not yet agreed on all open terms and conditions applicable to such phase.

The cost reimbursement nature of DCS’ commitment under the Prime Contract and the Duke Power Subcontract limits the exposure of DCS. Credit risk to DCS is limited by the fact the Prime Contract is with the DOE, a U.S. governmental entity. DCS is under no obligation to perform any contract work under the Prime Contract before funds have been appropriated from the U.S. Congress.

Duke Energy is unable to estimate the maximum potential amount of future payments DPSG could be required to make under the DOE Guarantee and the Duke Power Guarantee due to the uncertainty of whether: DOE will exercise its options under the Prime Contract, the parties to the Prime Contract and the Duke Power Subcontract, respectively, will reach agreement on remaining open terms for each option phase under such contracts, and the U.S. Congress will authorize funding for DCS’ work under the Prime Contract. Any liability of

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DPSG under the DOE Guarantee and the Duke Power Guarantee is directly related to and limited by the Prime Contract and the Duke Power Subcontract, respectively. DPSG also has recourse to the other owners of DCS for any amounts paid under the DOE Guarantee or the Duke Power Guarantee in excess of its proportional ownership percentage of DCS.

Other Guarantees and Indemnifications. Duke Capital Corporation has issued performance guarantees to customers and other third parties that guarantee the payment and performance of other parties, including certain unconsolidated entities. The maximum potential amount of future payments Duke Capital Corporation could have been required to make under these performance guarantees as of December 31, 2002 was approximately \$575 million. Approximately \$200 million of these performance guarantees expire between 2003 and 2004, with the remaining performance guarantees not having a contractual expiration. Additionally, Duke Capital Corporation has issued joint and several guarantees to certain of the D/FD project owners, which guarantee the performance of D/FD under its engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) contracts and other contractual commitments. These guarantees do not have a contractual expiration and do not have a stated maximum amount of future payments Duke Capital Corporation could be required to make under these performance guarantees. Additionally, Fluor Enterprises, Inc., as 50% owner in D/FD, has also issued similar joint and several guarantees to the same D/FD project owners. In accordance with the D/FD partnership agreement, each of the partners to D/FD is responsible for 50% of any payments to be made under these guarantee contracts.

Westcoast has issued performance guarantees or indemnifications to third parties which guarantee the performance of unconsolidated entities, such as equity method projects, and entities previously sold by Westcoast to third parties. These performance guarantees require Westcoast to make payment to the guaranteed third party upon the failure of the unconsolidated entity to make payment under certain of its contractual obligations, such as debt, purchase contracts and leases. The maximum potential amount of future payments Westcoast could have been required to make under these performance guarantees as of December 31, 2002 was approximately \$325 million. Of these guarantees, approximately \$150 million expire in 2003 and approximately \$25 million expire from 2004 to 2007. The remainder expire after 2007 or do not have a contractual expiration.

Stand-by letters of credit are conditional commitments issued to guarantee the performance of non-wholly owned entities to a third party or customer. Duke Capital Corporation and Westcoast have obligations to make payment under these agreements and are triggered by the failure of the non-wholly owned entity to make payment to the third party or customer according to the terms of the underlying contract. These contracts expire in various amounts between 2003 and 2004. The maximum potential amount of future payments Duke Capital Corporation and Westcoast could have been required to make under these contracts as of December 31, 2002 was approximately \$475 million. Related to these letters of credit, Duke Capital Corporation has received collateral from the non-wholly owned entities in the amount of approximately \$250 million at December 31, 2002.

Duke Capital Corporation has guaranteed the issuance of surety bonds, which obligates itself to a surety to make payment upon the failure of a non-wholly owned entity to honor its obligations to a third party. As of December 31, 2002, Duke Capital Corporation had guaranteed approximately \$175 million of surety bonds outstanding related to obligations of non-wholly owned entities. These bonds expire in various amounts primarily between 2003 and 2004.

Field Services and Natural Gas Transmission have issued certain guarantees of debt associated with non-wholly owned entities. In the event that the non-wholly owned subsidiaries default on the debt payments, Field Services or Natural Gas Transmission would be required to perform under the guarantees and make payment on the outstanding debt balance of the non-wholly owned subsidiaries. As of December 31, 2002, Field Services was the guarantor of approximately \$100 million of debt associated with non-wholly owned entities and Natural Gas

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Transmission was the guarantor of approximately \$5 million of debt associated with the non-wholly owned entities. These guarantees expire in 2003 for Field Services and 2019 for Natural Gas Transmission.

Duke Energy has certain guarantees issued to customers or other third parties related to the payment or performance obligations of certain entities that were previously wholly owned but which have been sold to third parties, such as DukeSolutions and DE&S. These guarantees are primarily related to payment of lease obligations, debt obligations and performance guarantees related to goods and services provided. In connection with the sale of DE&S, Duke Energy has received back-to-back indemnification from the buyer indemnifying Duke Energy for any amounts paid by Duke Energy related to the DE&S guarantees. In connection with the sale of DukeSolutions, Duke Energy received indemnification from the buyer for the first \$2.5 million paid by Duke Energy related to the DukeSolutions guarantees. Additionally, for certain performance guarantees, Duke Energy has recourse to subcontractors involved in providing services to a customer. These guarantees have various terms, ranging from 2003 to 2019 with others having no specific term. Duke Energy is unable to estimate the total maximum potential amount of future payments under these guarantees since most of the underlying guaranteed agreements do not contain any limits on potential liability.

Duke Energy has entered into various indemnification agreements related to purchase and sale agreements and other types of contractual agreements with vendors and other third parties. These indemnification agreements typically cover environmental, tax, litigation and other matters, as well as breaches of representations, warranties and covenants set forth in these agreements. Typically, claims may be made by third parties under these indemnification agreements for various periods of time depending on the nature of the claim. The maximum potential exposure of Duke Energy under these indemnification agreements can range from a specified dollar amount to an unlimited amount depending on the nature of the claim and the particular transaction. Duke Energy is unable to estimate the total maximum potential amount of future payments under these indemnification agreements due to several factors, including uncertainty as to whether claims will be made under these indemnities.

18. Common Stock and Equity Offerings

In October 2002, Duke Energy issued 54.5 million shares of common stock at \$18.35 in a public offering. The proceeds from the offering were approximately \$1.0 billion, before underwriting commissions and other offering expenses, and were used to repay commercial paper previously issued to fund a portion of the consideration for the Westcoast acquisition.

In March 2001, Duke Energy completed an offering of 25 million shares of common stock, priced at \$38.98 per share, before underwriting discount and other offering expenses. In addition, Duke Energy completed an offering of approximately 31 million units of Equity Units, at \$25 per unit, before underwriting discount and other offering expenses. Also in March 2001, the underwriters exercised options granted to them to purchase an additional 3.75 million shares of common stock and four million Equity Units at the original issue prices, less underwriting discounts, to cover over-allotments made during the offerings. Total net proceeds from the offerings, approximately \$1.9 billion, were used to repay short-term debt and for other corporate purposes. The Equity Units consist of senior notes of Duke Capital Corporation, and purchase contracts obligating the investors to purchase shares of Duke Energy's common stock in 2004. The number of shares to be issued in 2004 will be based on the price of the common stock at conversion. Using a "floor" conversion price of \$38.98 per share, Duke Energy expects to issue no more than approximately 22.4 million shares of common stock related to this Equity Units offering.

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In November 2001, Duke Energy completed an offering of 30 million Equity Units, at \$25 per unit, before underwriting discount and other offering expenses. The net proceeds from the offering were approximately \$731 million. The Equity Units consist of senior notes of Duke Capital Corporation, and purchase contracts obligating the investors to purchase shares of Duke Energy's common stock in 2004. The number of shares to be issued in 2004 will be based on the price of the common stock at conversion. Using a "floor" conversion price of \$40.125 per share, Duke Energy expects to issue no more than approximately 18.7 million shares of common stock related to this Equity Units offering.

The Duke Capital Corporation senior notes that are part of the Equity Units are included in Long-term Debt on the Consolidated Balance Sheets. (See Note 11.) The value of the forward purchase contracts associated with the Equity Units was assumed to be zero at inception as the offerings were done at market prices. The return on the Equity Units consists of interest on the debt component and a contract adjustment payment. The contract adjustment was recorded as a declared dividend and its present value was recorded in Other Current and Noncurrent Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

At Duke Energy's Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on April 26, 2001, shareholders approved an amendment to the Articles of Incorporation to increase the authorized common stock from one billion to two billion shares.

On December 20, 2000, Duke Energy announced a two-for-one common stock split effective January 26, 2001, to shareholders of record on January 3, 2001. All 2000 outstanding share and per share amounts have been restated to reflect the stock split. Appropriate adjustments have been made in the exercise price and number of shares subject to stock options, as well as in stock amounts and other employee benefit programs. Effective with the stock split, the quarterly cash dividend rate on common stock is \$0.275 per share.

19. Stock-Based Compensation

The following information regarding outstanding common stock shares and options reflects the two-for-one common stock split discussed in Note 18.

Duke Energy's 1998 Long-term Incentive Plan, as amended (the 1998 Plan), reserved 60 million shares of common stock for awards to employees and outside directors. Under the 1998 Plan, the exercise price of each option granted cannot be less than the market price of Duke Energy's common stock on the date of grant and the maximum option term is 10 years. The vesting periods range from immediate to five years.

Upon the acquisition of Westcoast, Duke Energy converted all stock options outstanding under the 1989 Westcoast Long-term Incentive Share Option Plan to Duke Energy Corporation stock options. Certain of these options also provide for share appreciation rights under which the holder of a stock option may, in lieu of exercising the option, exercise the share appreciation right. The exercise price of these options equals the market price on the date of grant and the maximum option term is 10 years. The vesting periods range from immediate to four years.

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Stock Option Activity

	<u>Options</u> <u>(in thousands)</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>
Outstanding at December 31, 1999	17,625	\$25
Granted	7,594	41
Exercised	(2,047)	21
Forfeited	(666)	27
Outstanding at December 31, 2000	22,506	31
Granted	7,090	37
Exercised	(2,285)	25
Forfeited	(905)	33
Outstanding at December 31, 2001	26,406	33
Granted(a)	9,406	34
Exercised	(1,452)	23
Forfeited	(3,151)	37
Outstanding at December 31, 2002	<u>31,209</u>	34

(a) Includes 2,746,044 converted Westcoast stock options

Stock Options at December 31, 2002

<u>Range of Exercise Prices</u>	<u>Outstanding</u>			<u>Exercisable</u>	
	<u>Number</u> <u>(in thousands)</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Remaining Life</u> <u>(in years)</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>	<u>Number</u> <u>(in thousands)</u>	<u>Weighted-Average Exercise Price</u>
\$5 to \$10	409	1.5	\$10	409	\$10
\$11 to \$14	272	2.3	13	272	13
\$15 to \$20	419	6.7	20	398	20
\$21 to \$24	621	6.4	22	390	22
\$25 to \$28	7,268	6.6	26	5,379	26
\$29 to \$33	4,466	5.9	30	3,030	30
\$34 to \$37	1,272	8.9	35	192	34
\$38 to \$39	10,966	9.0	38	6,390	38
> \$39	<u>5,516</u>	8.0	43	<u>2,685</u>	43
Total	<u>31,209</u>	7.6		<u>19,145</u>	32

On December 31, 2001, Duke Energy had 7.9 million exercisable options with a \$28 weighted-average exercise price. On December 31, 2000, Duke Energy had 5.2 million exercisable options with a \$23 weighted-average exercise price.

The weighted-average fair value per option granted was \$10 during 2002, 2001 and 2000. The fair value of each option grant was estimated on the date of grant using the Black-Scholes option-pricing model.

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Weighted-Average Assumptions for Option-Pricing

	2002	2001	2000
Stock dividend yield	3.4%	3.4%	3.7%
Expected stock price volatility	29.9%	29.5%	25.1%
Risk-free interest rates	5.0%	5.0%	5.3%
Expected option lives	7 years	7 years	7 years

The 1998 Plan allows for a maximum of six million shares of common stock to be issued under restricted stock awards, performance awards and phantom stock awards. Performance awards granted under the 1998 Plan vest over periods from three to seven years. Vesting can occur in year three, at the earliest if performance is met. Duke Energy awarded 16,000 shares (fair value of less than \$1 million at grant dates) in 2002, 24,000 shares (fair value of approximately \$1 million at grant dates) in 2001 and 225,000 shares (fair value of approximately \$7 million at grant dates) in 2000. Compensation expense for the performance awards is charged to earnings over the vesting period, and totaled \$4 million in 2002, \$6 million in 2001 and \$7 million in 2000.

Phantom stock awards granted under the 1998 Plan vest over periods from one to four years. Duke Energy awarded 54,430 shares (fair value of approximately \$2 million at grant dates) in 2002, 457,700 shares (fair value of approximately \$17 million at grant dates) in 2001 and 168,500 shares (fair value of approximately \$7 million at grant dates) in 2000. Compensation expense for the phantom awards is charged to earnings over the vesting period, and totaled \$10 million in 2002, \$4 million in 2001 and was less than \$1 million in 2000.

Restricted stock awards granted under the 1998 Plan vest over periods from one to five years. Duke Energy awarded 14,260 shares (fair value of less than \$1 million at grant dates) in 2002, 74,005 shares (fair value of approximately \$3 million at grant dates) in 2001 and 195,500 shares (fair value of approximately \$5 million at grant dates) in 2000. Compensation expense for restricted awards is charged to earnings over the vesting period, and totaled \$2 million in 2002, \$3 million in 2001 and \$1 million in 2000.

Duke Energy's 1996 Stock Incentive Plan (the 1996 Plan) allows four million shares of common stock for awards to employees. Restricted stock grants under the 1996 Plan vest over periods ranging from one to five years. Duke Energy awarded no restricted shares in 2002. Duke Energy awarded 50,000 restricted shares (fair value of approximately \$2 million at grant date) in 2001 and 99,026 restricted shares (fair value of approximately \$3 million at grant dates) in 2000. Compensation expense for restricted awards is charged to earnings over the vesting period and totaled \$1 million in 2002, \$1 million in 2001 and \$3 million in 2000.

20. Employee Benefit Plans

Duke Energy Retirement Plans. Duke Energy and its subsidiaries maintain a non-contributory defined benefit retirement plan. It covers most U.S. employees using a cash balance formula. Under a cash balance formula, a plan participant accumulates a retirement benefit consisting of pay credits that are based upon a percentage (which may vary with age and years of service) of current eligible earnings and current interest credits.

Duke Energy's policy is to fund amounts on an actuarial basis to provide assets sufficient to meet benefits to be paid to plan participants. No contributions to the Duke Energy plan were necessary in 2002, 2001 or 2000. The net unrecognized transition asset, resulting from the implementation of accrual accounting, is amortized over approximately 20 years. Investment gains or losses are amortized over five years.

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Westcoast Retirement Plans. Duke Energy acquired Westcoast on March 14, 2002 (see Note 2). The Westcoast benefit plans are reported separately due to assumption differences. The average remaining service period of the active employees covered by the pension plan is 17 years.

Components of Net Periodic Pension Costs—as of December 31,

	Duke Energy			Westcoast
	2002	2001	2000	2002
	(in millions)			
Service cost benefit earned during the year	\$ 69	\$ 74	\$ 70	\$ 6
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation	177	188	184	17
Expected return on plan assets	(267)	(264)	(244)	(19)
Amortization of prior service cost	(3)	(3)	(3)	—
Amortization of net transition asset	(4)	(4)	(4)	—
Special termination benefit cost	1	—	—	—
Net periodic pension (income) costs	<u>\$ (27)</u>	<u>\$ (9)</u>	<u>\$ 3</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>

Reconciliation of Funded Status to Pre-funded Pension Costs—as of December 31,

	Duke Energy		Westcoast
	2002	2001	2002
	(in millions)		
Change in Benefit Obligation			
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$2,528	\$2,586	\$324(b)
Service cost	69	74	6
Interest cost	177	188	17
Actuarial loss (gain)	73	(147)	6
Plan amendments	1	1	—
Benefits paid	(178)	(174)	(19)
Special termination benefits	1	—	—
Benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$2,671</u>	<u>\$2,528</u>	<u>\$334</u>
Change in Plan Assets			
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$2,470(a)	\$3,038(a)	\$291(b)
Actual return on plan assets	(172)	(394)	(27)
Benefits paid	(178)	(174)	(19)
Employer contributions	—	—	9
Plan participants' contributions	—	—	1
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	<u>\$2,120(a)</u>	<u>\$2,470(a)</u>	<u>\$255(b)</u>
Funded status	<u>\$ (551)</u>	<u>\$ (58)</u>	<u>\$ (78)</u>
Unrecognized net experience loss	913	400	49
Unrecognized prior service cost	(14)	(17)	—
Unrecognized net transition asset	(8)	(12)	—
Contributions made after measurement date	—	—	2
Pre-funded (accrued) pension costs	<u>\$ 340</u>	<u>\$ 313</u>	<u>\$ (27)</u>

(a) Principally equity (65%) and fixed-income (35%) securities. For measurement purposes, plan assets were valued as of September 30.

(b) For Westcoast, benefit obligation and fair value of plan assets at beginning of the year represent balances assumed or acquired in the acquisition of Westcoast as of March 14, 2002. (See Note 2.) Plan assets are principally invested in equity (63%) and fixed-income (37%) securities. For measurement purposes, plan assets were valued as of September 30.

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Amounts recognized in the Consolidated Balance Sheets consist of:

	Duke Energy		Westcoast
	2002	2001	2002
	(in millions)		
Pre-funded cost	\$ —	\$313	\$—
Accrued pension liability	(432)	—	(49)
Deferred income tax asset	302	—	8
Accumulated other comprehensive income	470	—	14
Net Balance Sheet presentation	<u>\$ 340</u>	<u>\$ 313</u>	<u>\$ (27)</u>

As of the measurement date, the market value of the Duke Energy pension plan assets was below the accumulated benefit obligation of \$2,559 million, and Duke Energy was required to record a minimum pension liability of \$772 million (\$470 million after-tax) as calculated under SFAS No. 87 “Employers’ Accounting for Pensions.” This resulted in an increase in the pension liability of \$772 million, a decrease in other comprehensive income of \$470 million and an increase in deferred tax assets of \$302 million.

As of the measurement date, the market value of the Westcoast pension plan assets was below the accumulated benefit obligation of \$341 million, and Westcoast was required to record a minimum pension liability for U.S. reporting of \$22 million (\$14 million after-tax) as calculated under SFAS No. 87. This resulted in an increase in the pension liability of \$22 million, a decrease in other comprehensive income of \$14 million and an increase in deferred tax assets of \$8 million.

Assumptions Used for Pension Benefits Accounting

	Duke Energy			Westcoast
	2002	2001	2000	2002
	(percents)			
Discount rate	6.75	7.25	7.50	6.50
Salary increase	5.00	4.94	4.53	3.25
Expected long-term rate of return on plan assets	9.25	9.25	9.25	7.75

Duke Energy also sponsors employee savings plans that cover substantially all employees. Duke Energy expensed employer matching contributions of \$71 million in 2002, \$69 million in 2001 and \$66 million in 2000.

Duke Energy Other Post-Retirement Benefits. Duke Energy and most of its subsidiaries provide some health care and life insurance benefits for retired employees on a contributory and non-contributory basis. Employees are eligible for these benefits if they have met age and service requirements at retirement, as defined in the plans.

These benefit costs are accrued over an employee’s active service period to the date of full benefits eligibility. The net unrecognized transition obligation, resulting from accrual accounting, is amortized over approximately 20 years.

Westcoast Other Post-Retirement Benefits. The average remaining service period of the active employees covered by the other retirement benefits plans is 17 years.

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Components of Net Periodic Post-Retirement Benefit Costs—as of December 31,

	Duke Energy			Westcoast
	2002	2001	2000	2002
	(in millions)			
Service cost benefit earned during the year	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 2
Interest cost on accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation	50	44	43	2
Expected return on plan assets	(24)	(24)	(23)	—
Amortization of prior service cost	1	1	1	—
Amortization of net transition obligation	18	18	18	—
Plan curtailments	—	(3)	—	—
Net periodic post-retirement benefit costs	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 41</u>	<u>\$ 44</u>	<u>\$ 4</u>

Reconciliation of Funded Status to Accrued Post-Retirement Benefit Costs

	Duke Energy		Westcoast
	2002	2001	2002
	(in millions)		
Change in Benefit Obligation			
Accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 712	\$ 614	\$ 45(b)
Service cost	5	5	2
Interest cost	50	44	2
Plan participants' contributions	9	9	—
Actuarial loss	66	104	2
Benefits paid	(63)	(61)	(2)
Plan curtailments	—	(3)	—
Accumulated post-retirement benefit obligation at end of year	<u>\$ 779</u>	<u>\$ 712</u>	<u>\$ 49</u>
Change in Plan Assets			
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	\$ 265(a)	\$ 325(a)	\$—
Actual return on plan assets	(21)	(40)	—
Employer contributions	37	32	2
Plan participants' contributions	9	9	—
Benefits paid	(63)	(61)	(2)
Fair market value of plan assets at end of year	<u>\$ 227(a)</u>	<u>\$ 265(a)</u>	<u>\$—</u>
Funded status	<u>\$(552)</u>	<u>\$(447)</u>	<u>\$(49)</u>
Employer contributions made after measurement date	12	11	—
Unrecognized net experience loss	223	111	2
Unrecognized prior service cost	3	4	—
Unrecognized transition obligation	<u>178</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>—</u>
Accrued post-retirement benefit costs	<u><u>\$(136)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(125)</u></u>	<u><u>\$(47)</u></u>

(a) Principally equity and fixed-income securities. For measurement purposes, plan assets were valued as of September 30.

(b) For Westcoast, benefit obligation at beginning of the year represents balances assumed in the acquisition of Westcoast as of March 14, 2002. (See Note 2.)

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Assumptions Used for Post-Retirement Benefits Accounting

	Duke Energy			Westcoast
	2002	2001	2000	2002
	(percents)			
Discount rate	6.75	7.25	7.50	6.50
Salary increase	5.00	4.94	4.53	3.25
Expected long-term rate of return on assets	9.25	9.25	9.25	—
Assumed tax rate(a)	39.60	39.60	39.60	—

(a) Applicable to the health care portion of funded post-retirement benefits

For measurement purposes of the Duke Energy plan, the net per capita cost of covered health care benefits for participants who are not eligible for Medicare is assumed to have an initial annual rate of increase of 10.5% in 2002 that will gradually decrease to 6% in 2008. For participants who are eligible for Medicare, an initial annual rate of increase of 13.5% in 2002 will gradually decrease to 6% in 2011. Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the health care plans.

Sensitivity to Changes in Assumed Health Care Cost Trend Rates for Duke Energy Plan

	1-Percentage-Point Increase	1-Percentage-Point Decrease
	(in millions)	
Effect on total service and interest costs	\$ 3	\$ (3)
Effect on post-retirement benefit obligation	51	(43)

For measurement purposes of the Westcoast plan, the net per capita cost of covered health care benefits for employees are assumed to have an initial annual rate of increase of 10% in 2002 that will gradually decrease to 5% in 2008. Assumed health care cost trend rates have a significant effect on the amounts reported for the health care plans.

Sensitivity to Changes in Assumed Health Care Cost Trend Rates for Westcoast Plan

	1-Percentage-Point Increase	1-Percentage-Point Decrease
	(in millions)	
Effect on total service and interest costs	\$1	\$(1)
Effect on post-retirement benefit obligation	7	(6)

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21. Quarterly Financial Data (Unaudited)

	<u>First Quarter</u>	<u>Second Quarter</u>	<u>Third Quarter</u>	<u>Fourth Quarter</u>	<u>Total</u>
	(in millions, except per share data)				
2002					
Operating revenues	\$3,227	\$3,698	\$3,982	\$4,756	\$15,663
Operating income	682	889	536	393	2,500
EBIT	761	1,047	668	393	2,869
Net income (loss)	382	474	230	(52)	1,034
Earnings (loss) per share					
Basic	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.57	\$ 0.27	\$ (0.06)	\$ 1.22
Diluted	\$ 0.48	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.27	\$ (0.06)	\$ 1.22
2001					
Operating revenues	\$5,553	\$4,127	\$4,552	\$3,965	\$18,197
Operating income	1,177	823	1,414	527	3,941
EBIT	1,254	902	1,529	571	4,256
Income before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle	554	419	796	225	1,994
Net income	458	419	796	225	1,898
Earnings per share (before cumulative effect of change in accounting principle)					
Basic	\$ 0.74	\$ 0.54	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.29	\$ 2.58
Diluted	\$ 0.73	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.28	\$ 2.56
Earnings per share					
Basic	\$ 0.61	\$ 0.54	\$ 1.02	\$ 0.29	\$ 2.45
Diluted	\$ 0.60	\$ 0.53	\$ 1.01	\$ 0.28	\$ 2.44

During the third quarter of 2002, Duke Energy recorded the following: charges at DENA for the termination of certain turbines on order and the write-down of other uninstalled turbines of \$121 million (see Note 9), the partial write-off of site development costs (primarily in California) of \$31 million (see Note 9), partial impairment of a merchant plant of \$31 million (see Note 9), and demobilization costs related to the deferral of DENA merchant power projects of \$12 million; charges of \$91 million at International Energy for the write-off of site-development costs and the write-down of uninstalled turbines, primarily related to planned energy plants in Brazil (see Note 9); and severance charges of \$33 million for work force reductions.

During the fourth quarter of 2002, Duke Energy recorded the following: expenses at Franchised Electric associated with a December 2002 ice storm of \$89 million, and a charge of \$19 million for settlements with the NCUC and PSCSC (see Note 4); charges at DENA for information technology systems write-offs of \$24 million (see Note 9), and demobilization costs related to the deferral of DENA merchant power projects of \$10 million; impairment of goodwill at International Energy's European trading and marketing business of \$194 million (see Note 9); asset impairments at Field Services of \$40 million (\$28 million at Duke Energy's 70% share) (see Note 9); and severance charges of \$70 million for work force reductions.

During the fourth quarter of 2001, Duke Energy recorded a \$43 million provision for non-collateralized accounting exposure to Enron, as well as a \$36 million reduction in unbilled revenue receivables resulting from a refinement in the estimates used to calculate unbilled kilowatt-hour sales.

22. Subsequent Events (Unaudited)

In October 2002, Duke Energy entered into a \$244 million stock purchase agreement with National Fuel Gas Company, including the assumption of approximately \$58 million in debt, under which it would acquire Duke Energy's wholly owned Empire State Pipeline. This natural gas pipeline, which originates at the U.S./

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Canada border and extends into New York, was acquired by Duke Energy as part of the Westcoast acquisition in March 2002 (see Note 2). The sale to National Fuel Gas Company closed in February 2003.

In March 2003, Duke Energy announced that it will exit the merchant finance business at DCP in an orderly manner. Duke Energy expects the exit to generate positive cash flows in 2003 and 2004.

For information on subsequent events related to litigation and contingencies refer to Note 4, Franchised Electric section and Note 16, Litigation section. For information on subsequent events related to debt and other financing matters refer to Note 11.

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SCHEDULE II—VALUATION AND QUALIFYING ACCOUNTS AND RESERVES

	<u>Balance at Beginning of Period</u>	<u>Additions</u>		<u>Deductions(a)</u>	<u>Balance at End of Period</u>
		<u>Charged to Expense</u>	<u>Charged to Other Accounts</u> (in millions)		
December 31, 2002:					
Injuries and damages	\$ 459	\$ 14	\$ 5	\$111	\$ 367
Allowance for doubtful accounts	265	161	5	82	349
Other(b)	406	222	114(c)	229	513
	<u>\$1,130</u>	<u>\$397</u>	<u>\$124</u>	<u>\$422</u>	<u>\$1,229</u>
December 31, 2001:					
Injuries and damages	\$ 531	\$ 31	\$ 11	\$114	\$ 459
Allowance for doubtful accounts	200	160	4	99	265
Other(b)	377	201	84	256	406
	<u>\$1,108</u>	<u>\$392</u>	<u>\$ 99(d)</u>	<u>\$469</u>	<u>\$1,130</u>
December 31, 2000:					
Injuries and damages	\$ 902	\$ 18	\$ 2	\$391	\$ 531
Allowance for doubtful accounts	43	165	8	16	200
Other(b)	317	40	97	77	377
	<u>\$1,262</u>	<u>\$223</u>	<u>\$107(e)</u>	<u>\$484</u>	<u>\$1,108</u>

(a) Principally cash payments and reserve reversals.

(b) Principally property insurance reserves and litigation and other reserves, included in Other Current Liabilities, or Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

(c) Includes the reclassification of \$50 million of a \$58 million suspense account to a nuclear insurance operation account in accordance with a settlement agreement between Duke Power, the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (see Note 4 to the Consolidated Financial Statements, "Regulatory Matters").

(d) Principally reserves for construction costs, and litigation and other reserves assumed in business acquisitions.

(e) Principally litigation and other reserves assumed in business acquisitions.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Board of Directors and Stockholders of Duke Energy Corporation:

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of Duke Energy Corporation and subsidiaries (Duke Energy) as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the related consolidated statements of income, common stockholders' equity and comprehensive income, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2002. Our audits also included the financial statement schedule listed in the Index at Item 15. These financial statements and financial statement schedule are the responsibility of Duke Energy's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial statements and financial statement schedule based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Duke Energy as of December 31, 2002 and 2001, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2002, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, such financial statement schedule, when considered in relation to the basic consolidated financial statements taken as a whole, presents fairly in all material respects the information set forth therein.

As discussed in Note 1 to the consolidated financial statements, on January 1, 2001, Duke Energy adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," and on January 1, 2002, Duke Energy adopted Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets."

/s/ DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP
Deloitte & Touche LLP
Charlotte, North Carolina
March 12, 2003

RESPONSIBILITY FOR FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy) are prepared by management, who are responsible for their integrity and objectivity. The statements are prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in all material respects and necessarily include judgments and estimates of the expected effects of events and transactions that are currently being reported.

Duke Energy's system of internal accounting control is designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded and transactions are executed according to management's authorization. Internal accounting controls also provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded properly, so that financial statements can be prepared according to generally accepted accounting principles. In addition, accounting controls provide reasonable assurance that errors or irregularities which could be material to the financial statements are prevented or are detected by employees within a timely period as they perform their assigned functions. Duke Energy's accounting controls are continually reviewed for effectiveness. In addition, written policies, standards and procedures, and an internal audit program augment Duke Energy's accounting controls.

The Board of Directors pursues its oversight role for the financial statements through the audit committee, which is composed entirely of independent directors who are not employees of Duke Energy. The audit committee meets with management and internal auditors periodically to review accounting control issues and to monitor each group's discharge of its responsibilities. The audit committee also meets periodically with Duke Energy's independent auditors, Deloitte & Touche LLP. The independent auditors have free access to the audit committee and the Board of Directors to discuss internal accounting control, auditing and financial reporting matters without the presence of management.

/s/ Keith G. Butler
Keith G. Butler
Senior Vice President and Controller

Item 9. Changes in and Disagreements with Accountants on Accounting and Financial Disclosure.

None.