

Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC  
Form FWP  
May 16, 2011

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*Relating to*

*Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated May 16, 2011 to*

*Prospectus dated September 29, 2010*

*Registration Statement No. 333-169633-03*

**Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC  
First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds,**

**\$500,000,000 3.90% Series due 2021**

Pricing Term Sheet

Issuer:	Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC
Security Description:	First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 3.90% Series due 2021
Principal Amount:	\$500,000,000
Ratings (Moody's/S&P):	A1/A (stable/stable)
	A securities rating is not a recommendation to buy, sell or hold securities and may be subject to revision or withdrawal at any time.
Trade Date:	May 16, 2011
Settlement Date:	May 19, 2011; T + 3
Maturity Date:	June 15, 2021
Interest Payment Dates:	June 15 and December 15, beginning on December 15, 2011
Price to Public:	99.898% per Bond
Coupon:	3.90%
Benchmark Treasury:	3.125% due May 15, 2021
Benchmark Treasury Yield:	3.162%

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Spread to Benchmark Treasury: +75 bps

Yield to Maturity: 3.912%

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Optional Redemption	At any time before three months prior to maturity, redeemable at the Treasury Rate + 15 bps. At any time on or after three months prior to maturity, redeemable at par.
CUSIP:	26442CAK0
Joint Book-Running Managers:	Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated RBS Securities Inc. Wells Fargo Securities, LLC
Co-Managers:	Banca IMI S.p.A. Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.

The issuer has filed a registration statement (including a prospectus) with the SEC for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus in that registration statement and other documents the issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the issuer and this offering. You may get these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC Web site at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Alternatively, the issuer, any underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus if you request it by calling Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC toll free at 1-800-221-1037, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated toll free at 1-800-294-1322, RBS Securities Inc. toll free at 1-866-884-2071 or Wells Fargo Securities, LLC 1-800-326-5897 or email: [cmClientsupport@wachovia.com](mailto:cmClientsupport@wachovia.com)