Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC Form 8-K January 11, 2008

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 7, 2008

DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

North Carolina (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-04928 (Commission File Number) 56-0205520 (IRS Employer

of Incorporation)

Identification No.)

526 South Church Street, Charlotte, North Carolina 28202-1904

 $(Address\ of\ Principal\ Executive\ Offices,\ including\ Zip\ code)$

(704) 594-6200

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240. 13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

On January 7, 2008, Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (the Company) entered into an underwriting agreement, dated as of January 7, 2008, with J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein (the Underwriters), pursuant to which the Company agreed to issue and sell to the Underwriters \$400,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company s First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 5.25% Series due 2018 (the 2018 Mortgage Bonds) and \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of the Company s First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 6.00% Series due 2038 (together with the 2018 Mortgage Bonds, the Mortgage Bonds). The Mortgage Bonds were sold to the Underwriters at a discount to their principal amount. The Mortgage Bonds will be issued under the First and Refunding Mortgage, dated as of December 1, 1927, as amended by the Eighty-Fifth Supplemental Indenture (the Supplemental Indenture), dated as of January 10, 2008, between the Company and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee. The disclosure in this Item 8.01 is qualified in its entirety by the provisions of the Supplemental Indenture, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 4.1, and the Underwriting Agreement, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. Such exhibits are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (d) Exhibits.
- 4.1 Eighty-Fifth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of January 10, 2008, between Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC and The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A., as Trustee.
- 99.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of January 7, 2008, with J.P. Morgan Securities Inc. and Wachovia Capital Markets, LLC, as representatives of the several underwriters named therein, in connection with Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC s issuance and sale of \$400,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 5.25% Series due 2018, and \$500,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its First and Refunding Mortgage Bonds, 6.00% Series due 2038.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS, LLC

Date: January 11, 2008 By: /s/ Robert T. Lucas III

Name: Robert T. Lucas III Title: Assistant Secretary

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Exhibit

Description