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Duke Energy Remains Committed to a Clean Energy Future

Washington, DC – Wednesday, September 2, 2020 – Yesterday, Duke Energy Carolinas and Duke Energy Progress filed their 2020 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), outlining multiple pathways to achieve varying levels of carbon reduction over the next 15 years, including for the first time – potential pathways to achieve up to 70% carbon emissions reduction with policy and technology advancements.

“Duke Energy’s plan highlights how all carbon-free technologies need to work together,” said Jay Faison, Founder of ClearPath. “The plan demonstrates not only the valuable role clean energy technologies can play in the transition to a low-carbon future, but also proves clean resources are market-competitive energy solutions for customers. Innovations in advanced nuclear and battery storage – as outlined in this plan – will ensure this clean path is affordable for consumers.”

The 2020 IRP presents six potential pathways that keeps Duke Energy on track to meet its carbon reduction goal of at least 50 percent by 2030 and its long-term goal of reaching net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 in the Carolinas.

“I applaud Duke’s IRP to utilize all clean energy sources in the Carolinas to reach their commitments and their intention to lean in on clean energy innovation to create the new technologies needed to achieve their goals,” said Rich Powell, Executive Director of ClearPath. “Duke continues to lead in American power, and market signals like these demonstrate that transitioning to clean energy can be as positive for affordability and reliability as it is for addressing climate change.”

This plan incorporates input and feedback from more than 200 stakeholders across the Carolinas representing diverse interests.

[Learn more about the 2020 IRPs:](#)

Read Duke Energy’s press release [here](#).

View Duke Energy’s fact sheet [here](#).

Full IRP documents can be found [here](#).

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