

Executive Profile



Diane V. Denton
Vice President
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Diane Denton is vice president, state energy policy for Duke Energy in North Carolina. She is responsible for providing leadership and direction in the development and implementation of public policy that is in the best interest of our customers and communities. Denton works very closely with policymakers and other stakeholders to find working, sustainable solutions to energy policy needs. She was named to her current position in June 2019.

Previously, Denton served as managing director of federal policy for Duke Energy. A position she held since 2012.

Since joining the company in 1996, Denton has held various leadership positions on both the regulated and commercial sides of the business, including business development for large industrial customers, marketing, and project management where she developed commercial power plants in the Northeast region of the United States.

Denton earned a Bachelor of Science degree in business administration from Guilford College and a Master of Business Administration degree from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

Denton is active in the community and has served on the boards of directors for Boy Scouts of America, Theatre Charlotte and the Energy Board for the Keystone Policy Center. She most recently served as a mentor for the Ruth G. Shaw Women's Leadership Program at Central Piedmont Community College, which inspires and nurtures women students to assume positions of leadership.

A native of Charlotte, N.C., Denton and her husband, Don, have two sons.

Duke Energy, one of the largest energy holding companies in the United States, supplies and delivers electric services to approximately 7.7 million customers in the Southeast and Midwest. The company also distributes natural gas services to approximately 1.6 million customers in the Carolinas, Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee. Its commercial business operates a growing renewable energy portfolio across the United States. Headquartered in Charlotte, N.C., Duke Energy is a Fortune 150 company traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol DUK.