

## SCCAABE Energy Policy Newsletter – February 2022

### South Carolina

#### Duke Energy plans to exit all coal, double renewables



<https://www.eenews.net/articles/duke-energy-plans-to-exit-all-coal-double-renewables/>

*Overview: Duke Energy Corp. intends to close the rest of its coal plants by 2035 and more than double its renewable capacity by 2030 as part of a massive — and expensive — clean energy push.*

#### U.S. Sec. of Energy announces \$3M in funding for HBCUs

<https://www.live5news.com/2022/02/17/us-sec-energy-tour-sc-state-nuclear-engineering-program/>

*Overview: The Department of Energy has announced they're giving out \$3 million to Historically Black Colleges and Universities across the country Thursday as part of the president's massive infrastructure spending bill.*

### National

#### FERC expands criteria for reviewing gas infrastructure proposals, outlines GHG framework

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/ferc-criteria-reviewing-gas-infrastructure-pipeline-proposals/619092/>



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*Overview: FERC adopted a new framework for reviewing natural gas infrastructure proposals that includes expanded criteria for deciding whether the facilities are needed and how they could affect people and the environment.*

## **Duke may offer some EV customers 'all you can charge' for just \$19.99/month (restrictions apply)**

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/duke-may-offer-some-ev-customers-all-you-can-charge-for-just-1999month/619210/>

*Overview: Duke Energy wants to offer North Carolina residential customers a flat-fee EV charging subscription, in exchange for some control over when the charger is used.*

## **DOE announces supply chain strategy for clean energy**

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/doe-announces-supply-chain-strategy-for-clean-energy/619408/>

*Overview: The White House will support environmentally sustainable critical mineral extraction and offer incentives to domestic manufacturers as part of a strategy, released Thursday, to boost the domestic supply chain for clean energy products.*

## **Texas regulators direct utilities to file emergency operations plans**

<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/texas-regulators-direct-utilities-to-file-emergency-operations-plans/619499/>

*Overview: Electric utilities, transmission operators and power generators in Texas must file Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) with regulators by April 15, including strategies for improved communications, robust supply chains, cold weather events and cyberattacks.*

## DOE to offer \$6B to keep struggling nuclear reactors online



<https://www.utilitydive.com/news/doe-to-offer-6-billion-to-keep-struggling-nuclear-reactors-online/618919/>

*Overview: The Department of Energy (DOE) will spend \$6 billion on a program designed to keep nuclear power plants from closing. The program will allow owners and operators of commercial U.S. nuclear reactors to competitively bid on credits to help continue their operations amid economic hardship.*

### Would you like additional information?

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#### Energy News from the US Department of Energy

<https://www.energy.gov/listings/energy-news>

#### News Headlines from the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

<https://www.ferc.gov/media/headlines.asp>

#### News from the US Nuclear Regulatory Commission

<https://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/news/2019/>

#### Direct Current - An Energy.gov Podcast

<https://www.energy.gov/podcasts/direct-current-energygov-podcast0>

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