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About This Report

The energy industry is changing. At Duke Energy, we want to give our customers, employees, and stakeholders a front seat to impact and witness this exciting transformation.

In 2019, we announced a commitment to be carbon neutral by 2050, a key development as we seek to build a cleaner energy future.

Tomorrow's energy landscape will continue to address key issues of today: Ensuring reliable and affordable energy while addressing the important issue of climate change. We must also be mindful of a changing workforce, economic opportunity for the communities we serve, cybersecurity and the role of new technology, and we will need to collaborate with our stakeholders to develop solutions to these issues.

Successful companies are those that recognize and adapt to a changing landscape. In this report, you will notice the many areas where engagement with our external stakeholders has created positive outcomes.

That engagement will continue as Duke Energy moves toward a more clean, affordable and reliable energy system. Maintaining open, two-way communication channels will help us promote a better environment for sustainability to thrive.

As always, we aim to make sure our information is comprehensive, clear and paints an accurate picture of the company. We are proud of the progress we've made and are focused on opportunities for improvement.

In addition to this Sustainability Report, you can find a detailed [Global Reporting Initiative](#) Index on our website. Duke Energy is also participating in the Edison Electric Institute and American Gas Association [sustainability reporting initiative](#).

The company has also issued a [2020 Climate Report](#) to provide more details on how we are managing climate risks, including physical, policy and economic risks – as well as our plan to transition to a cleaner energy future. The report is organized to align with the Taskforce on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) framework.

Lastly, we intend to use the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB) standards in 2020 to help inform our sustainability reporting.

Thank you for your interest in the 2019 Sustainability Report and Duke Energy.

A handwritten signature in green ink that reads "Louis E. Renjel". The signature is written in a cursive style.

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