Duke Energy Online Savings Store and Business Savings Store Terms of Service

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Introduction

These Duke Energy Online Savings Store and Business Savings Store Terms of Service (collectively, the "Terms of Service") set forth the terms and conditions applicable to and governing your access to and use of and purchases of energy saving products ("Products") and services ("Services") that you make through the Duke Energy Online Savings Store and Business Savings Store (collectively, the "Site"). This Site is provided by Duke Energy Corporation and its affiliates (collectively, "Duke Energy"; "we" or "us") as a service to our customers. As used herein, the words "you" and "your" refer to both individuals, and to business entities on behalf of which individuals may be, accessing or using the Site. Please note that your acceptance of these Terms of Service or your use of the Site constitutes your agreement to follow and be bound by these Terms of Service. Individuals using the Site on behalf of their employer or other business entity hereby represent and warrant that they have the authority to bind such employer or other business entity to these Terms of Service. DUKE ENERGY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO UPDATE OR MODIFY THESE TERMS OF SERVICE AT ANY TIME WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE TO YOU BY POSTING UPDATED TERMS ON THIS SITE. FOR THIS REASON. WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU REVIEW THESE TERMS OF SERVICE WHENEVER YOU USE THIS SITE. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO (OR CANNOT COMPLY WITH) ANY PART OF THESE TERMS OF SERVICE, DO NOT USE THIS SITE OR ACCEPT THESE TERMS OF SERVICE.

ARBITRATION NOTICE: These Terms of Service contain a binding arbitration agreement including a waiver of any right to participate in a class action lawsuit or classwide arbitration. Please see the "<u>Arbitration Agreement and Class Action</u> <u>Waiver</u>" section below for additional details.

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Additional Terms

In addition to these Terms of Service, additional terms, conditions and policies may apply to your use of certain services, features or products available on this Site ("Additional Terms"). For example, the Site may include access to a variety of energy efficiency tools, resources, access to products, services and programs, which may be subject to additional terms and conditions For example, we or our suppliers our may offer sweepstakes, rebates or rewards points on the Site that are subject to Additional Terms. If there is any conflict between these Terms of Service and the Additional Terms, the Additional Terms take precedence solely with respect to the relevant service, product, program or activity. Please read all applicable Additional Terms carefully. These Terms of Service do not supersede or modify any terms, conditions or agreements you may have with Duke Energy for utility services, which shall continue to apply to your receipt and use of such utility services.

Purchases

These Terms of Service apply only to Products and Services purchased directly on the Site. We may make available links to the e-commerce sites of third parties third party retailers' or manufacturers' sites (collectively, "Third Party Merchant Sites"). Purchases made on such Third Party Merchant Sites are subject to the terms and conditions of such Third Party Merchant Site. DUKE ENERGY AND ITS AFFILIATES DISCLAIM ALL LIABILITY TO YOU ARE IN NO WAY LIABLE TO YOU IN CONNECTION WITH ANY PRODUCTS OR SERVICES THAT YOU PURCHASE ON A THIRD PARTY MERCHANT SITE.

A. Prices

Your purchase price for the Products and Services on the Site will be indicated on or calculated by the Site. All prices are subject to change by Duke Energy without notice. You agree to pay Duke Energy or its third party fulfillment provider ("PSP") the price for Products and Services you purchase as calculated by the Site at the time of purchase, plus all applicable sales, use or similar taxes or duties imposed by taxing authorities on such purchase (collectively, "Charges"). Certain Products, Services and prices may not be available in all markets.

B. Payment

Upon submitting a purchase to the Site, you agree that Duke Energy or its PSP may charge your designated payment method all applicable Charges as of the order date. You agree to provide accurate and complete billing information to the Site, including your legal name, address, telephone number, and payment information. If such information is false or fraudulent, Duke Energy reserves the right to cancel your purchase and your access to the Sites in addition to seeking any other legal remedies. Duke Energy and its PSP are not responsible for any Charges incurred in connection with purchases made on the Site using your account credentials, or any penalties charged to you by a third party (e.g., overdrawn accounts, exceeding credit card limits, etc.). All Charges billed to your designated payment method for purchases made on the Site will be considered valid, unless disputed by you in writing within thirty (30) days after the purchase date. No adjustments will be made for disputed Charges made more than thirty (30) days after the applicable purchase date. All prices are on the Site are shown in U.S. dollars.

C. Returns and Refunds

Products and Services purchased on the Site are subject to our <u>Return and</u> <u>Refund Policy</u>, as may be updated from time to time by Duke Energy.

For Residential Return Policy select your jurisdiction

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- o DEC SC https://shop-decsc.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html
- DEP SC <u>https://shop-depsc.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html</u>
- o IN https://shop-dei.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html
- o KY https://shop-dek.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html

For Non-Residential Return Policy select your jurisdiction

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- o IN https://shopbusiness-dei.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html
- KY https://shopbusiness-dek.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html

D. Rebates

Certain Products purchased on the Site may be eligible for rebate offers. Such rebate offers are subject to separate or additional terms, conditions, and eligibility requirements, including the <u>Rebate Terms and Conditions</u>. We may rely on your confirmation that you meet the applicable eligibility requirements for a particular rebate offer. If we issue you a rebate based on your confirmation, and subsequently determine that you do not meet the eligibility requirements in the Rebate Terms and Conditions, then you agree to we may charge you the amount of the rebate that was applied to the transaction. You agree that Duke Energy and its suppliers shall have no liability to you or any third party arising from such charge-backs.

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- E. Risk of Loss

All Product purchases through the Site are made pursuant to a shipment contract. This means that the risk of loss and title for such items pass to you upon our delivery of the applicable Product to the carrier.

F. Shipping

Please see our Shipping_Terms for information about our shipping policies and practices.

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- KY <u>https://shopbusiness-dek.duke-energy.com/Support/order-information.html</u>

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Site Security

You are prohibited from violating or attempting to violate the security of the Site, including, without limitation, (a) accessing data not intended for the user, or logging onto a server or an account which the user is not authorized to access; (b) attempting to probe, scan or test the vulnerability of a system or network or to breach security or authentication measures without proper authorization; (c) attempting to interfere with service to any user, host or network, including, without limitation, via means of submitting a virus to the Site, overloading, "flooding," "spamming,","mailbombing" or "crashing"; (d) sending unsolicited email, including promotions and/or advertising of products or services; or (e) forging any TCP/IP packet header or any part of the header information in any email or newsgroup posting. Violations of system or network security may result in civil or criminal liability. Duke Energy may investigate occurrences that involve such violations and may involve, and cooperate with, law enforcement authorities in prosecuting users who are involved in such violations. In order to strengthen our network security, Duke Energy may participate in partnership agreements with private or public entities, including the U.S. government, that involve the sharing of certain information collected automatically as described in the Privacy Policy. You agree not to use any device, software or routine to interfere or attempt to interfere with the proper working of this Site or any activity being conducted on this Site. You agree, further, not to use or attempt to use any engine, software, tool, agent or other device or mechanism (including without limitation browsers, spiders, robots, avatars or intelligent agents) to navigate or search this Site other than the search engine and search agents available from Duke Energy on this Site and other than generally available third-party web browsers (for example, Google Chrome).

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Acceptable Use Policy

You agree that your use of the Site: will not violate these Terms of Service or the guidelines set forth in the <u>Duke Energy Community Guidelines</u>, any right of any third party, including without limitation, copyright, trademark, privacy or other personal or proprietary right(s); will not cause injury to any person or entity; and are accurate, truthful, not misleading, offered in good faith and lawful.

Indemnification

You agree to defend, indemnify and hold harmless Duke Energy, its affiliates and each of their service providers from and against any and all claims, damages, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, arising from or related to your use of the Site or any breach by you of these Terms of Service.

Termination

These Terms of Service are effective unless and until terminated by either you or Duke Energy. You may terminate these Terms of Service at any time, provided that you discontinue any further use of this Site. Duke Energy also may terminate these Terms of Service at any time and may do so immediately without notice, and accordingly deny you access to the Site, if in Duke Energy's sole discretion you fail to comply with any term or provision of these Terms of Service, or for any other reason. Upon any termination of these Terms of Service by either you or Duke Energy, you must promptly destroy all materials downloaded or otherwise obtained from this Site, as well as all copies of such materials, whether made under the Terms of Service or otherwise. The following sections shall survive any termination of these Terms of Service: "Additional Terms", "Purchases", "Third-Party Sites," "Site Security," "Copyrights and Trademarks," "Registration, Submissions, and Comments," "Indemnification," "Termination," "Arbitration Agreement and Class Action Waiver," "Warranty Disclaimer," "Limitation of Liability," "Privacy," "General," and "E-SIGN Disclosure".

Arbitration Agreement and Class Action Waiver

A. *Mandatory Arbitration*. YOU AND DUKE ENERGY AGREE TO SUBMIT ANY AND ALL DISPUTES ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO YOUR USE OF THE SITE (EACH, A "**DISPUTE**") TO BINDING ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL ARBITRATION ACT (TITLE 9 OF THE UNITED STATES CODE), WHICH SHALL GOVERN THE INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THIS ARBITRATION AGREEMENT ("**ARBITRATION AGREEMENT**"). YOU AND DUKE ENERGY WAIVE THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY AND ANY RIGHT TO HAVE A DISPUTE HEARD IN COURT.

In arbitration, Disputes are resolved by a neutral arbitrator instead of a judge or jury, discovery is more limited than in court, and the arbitrator's decision is subject to limited review by courts. The arbitrator can award on an individual basis the same damages and relief as a court, including monetary damages, injunctive relief and declaratory relief. Judgment on the arbitrator's award may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof. A single arbitrator with the American Arbitration Association ("**AAA**") will conduct the arbitration, and the award may not exceed the relief allowed by applicable law. The arbitration will be conducted in the county of your residence or another mutually agreed location. The AAA's Consumer Arbitration Rules will apply. If AAA will not apply those rules, then AAA's Commercial Arbitration Rules will apply. The AAA's rules and a form that can be used to initiate arbitration proceedings are available at http://www.adr.org. You and Duke Energy agree that if for any reason AAA will not conduct or becomes unavailable to conduct the arbitration, then a court may appoint a substitute arbitrator, and further agree that the choice of AAA as a forum is not integral to the Arbitration Agreement.

The arbitrator will decide all issues relating to the enforceability, interpretation, scope and application of this Arbitration Agreement (including "gateway" issues of arbitrability, whether the Arbitration Agreement is unconscionable or illusory and any defense to arbitration), and these Terms of Service, except that a court will resolve any question regarding the validity or enforceability of the class action waiver set forth in Section B of this Arbitration Agreement. The term "Dispute" and the requirement to arbitrate will be broadly interpreted.

B. Arbitration Class Action Waiver. You and Duke Energy agree that the arbitration will be conducted solely on an individual basis and not on a class, representative, consolidated or private attorney general basis. A Dispute may not be consolidated with a claim brought or discovery by any person or entity that is not a party to the arbitration proceeding. The arbitrator may not award relief to any person or entity other than a party to the arbitration proceeding and may only award such relief as is necessary to provide relief to a party to the arbitration proceeding. If a court deems any portion of this Section B invalid or unenforceable, then Sections A and C of this Arbitration Agreement will be null and void.

C. *Fees and Costs in Arbitration*. Payment of all filing, administration and arbitrator fees will be governed by the AAA's rules. Duke Energy will reimburse you for those

fees up to \$7,500, unless the arbitrator determines the claims are frivolous. Likewise, Duke Energy will not seek attorneys' fees and costs in arbitration unless the arbitrator determines the claims are frivolous.

D. *Non-Arbitration Class Action and Jury Waiver*. You and Duke Energy agree that if for any reason a Dispute proceeds in court rather than arbitration: (1) you and Duke Energy waive any right to a jury trial; (2) the Dispute will proceed solely on an individual, non-class, non-representative basis; and (3) neither you nor Duke Energy may be a class representative or class member or otherwise participate in any class, representative, consolidated or private attorney general proceeding.

E. NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING TO THE CONTRARY IN THIS SECTION, YOU MAY CHOOSE TO PURSUE YOUR CLAIM IN COURT AND NOT BY ARBITRATION IF YOU OPT OUT OF THIS ARBITRATION AGREEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS FROM THE EARLIER OF: (1) THE DATE YOU ACCEPT THESE TERMS OF SERVICE, OR (2) THE DATE YOU FIRST SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH DUKE ENERGY THAT CONTAINED AN ARBITRATION PROVISION. The opt-out notice must be postmarked no later than the applicable deadline and mailed to:

Duke Energy Terms of Service 526 S. Church St. Charlotte, NC 28202 Attn: Terms of Service

The opt-out notice must state that you do not agree to this Arbitration Agreement and must include the name, address, phone number and email address associated with your account with us. This procedure is the only way you can opt out of this Arbitration Agreement, and failure to comply strictly with this procedure and the applicable deadline automatically will render the opt-out notice null and void. If you opt out of the arbitration provision, all other parts of this Arbitration Agreement will continue to apply.

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Some jurisdictions do not allow certain limitations on damages, so the limitations and exclusions above may not apply to you. If this section is held to be unenforceable, then liability will be limited to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. In the event that any provision of the above paragraph is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to exceed the restrictions permitted by applicable law, then the court shall have the power to reduce, limit or reform such provision to make it enforceable to the maximum extent permitted by law, and such provision shall then be enforceable in its reduced, limited or reformed manner; provided, however, that a provision shall be enforceable in its reduced, limited or reformed manner only in the particular jurisdiction in which a court of competent jurisdiction makes such determination. In addition, the parties agree that the provisions of the above paragraph shall be severable in accordance with the terms of these Terms of Service.

Privacy

Please review our <u>Privacy Policy</u>, which applies to personal information collected from or provided by you on the Site.

General

These Terms of Service, the Duke Energy Voice, SMS/Texting and Email Terms and Conditions, and the Privacy Policy represent the complete agreement between the parties and supersede all prior agreements and representations between them. Headings used in these Terms of Service are for reference purposes only and in no way define or limit the scope of the section. If any provision of these Terms of Service is held to be unenforceable for any reason, such provision shall be reformed only to the extent necessary to make it enforceable and the other terms of these Terms of Service shall remain in full force and effect. The failure of Duke Energy to act with respect to a breach of these Terms of Service by you or others does not constitute a waiver and shall not limit Duke Energy's rights with respect to such breach or any subsequent breaches. These Terms of Service shall be governed by and construed under North Carolina law without regard to conflicts of law provisions, provided that if you are a customer of Duke Energy for regulated utility services, then these Terms of Use shall instead by governed by and construed in accordance with the State in which you receive utility services from Duke Energy. In the event that you receive utility services from Duke Energy in more than one State, then these Terms of Use shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State in which you first received utility services from Duke Energy.

E-SIGN Disclosure

By accepting these Terms of Service, you are consenting to receive certain communications from Duke Energy, its affiliates and service providers in connection with your account, including disclosures that are required to be provided to you in writing (collectively, "Disclosures") in electronic format. Duke Energy reserves the right to provide any Disclosure to you in paper format at the mailing address associated with your account.

Please note that:

- If you wish to retain a copy of such Disclosures, you should print paper copies or reserve sufficient memory on your computer or mobile device.
- You may withdraw your consent to receive future Disclosures in electronic format by contacting Customer Service.
- In order to receive Disclosures electronically, you will need: a computer or a
 mobile device and software that provides the capability to: receive and send
 messages from an e-mail address; access and view internet web sites designed
 for use with generally available internet browsers; or open, view and print files
 in Portable Document Format ("PDF"); a valid e-mail address; internet access
 and access to a printer or sufficient memory on your computer or mobile device
 to save an electronic copy of your Disclosures.

Voice, SMS/Texting and Email Communications

Your access to and use of (a) telecommunications tools, including pre-recorded alerts, calls and voicemails (collectively, "Voice Communication"), (b) mobile communication tools and text messaging services (collectively, "SMS/Texting"), and (c) e-mail communication services is subject to the <u>Duke Energy Voice</u>, <u>SMS/Texting and Email Terms and Conditions</u>.

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