

James E. Rogers



James E. Rogers has been chairman of the board, president and CEO of Duke Energy since January 2007. He has more than 21 years of experience as a utility CEO.

He was named president and CEO of Duke Energy following the merger of Duke Energy and Cinergy in April 2006. Before the merger, he served as Cinergy's chairman and CEO for more than 11 years. Prior to the formation of Cinergy, he joined PSI Energy in 1988 as the company's chairman, president and CEO.

He served as executive vice president of interstate pipelines for the Enron Gas Pipeline Group before joining PSI. Before joining Enron Corp., Rogers was a partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld. Before that, he was deputy general counsel for litigation and enforcement for the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Rogers is chairman of the Institute for Electric Efficiency and the Edison Foundation, and serves as co-chair of the National Action Plan for Energy Efficiency and the Alliance to Save Energy. He is a director of Cigna Corp. and Applied Materials Inc.

He serves on the boards of the World Business Council for Sustainable Development and the Edison Electric Institute. He is a board member of the Nuclear Energy Institute, the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations and the Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions. He is also a member of the Honorary Committee of the Joint U.S.-China Collaboration on Clean Energy (JUCCCE).

The Jan. 5, 2009, edition of Newsweek named Rogers to The Global Elite list, "The 50 Most Powerful People in the World," saying, "The CEO of Duke Energy could make dreams of renewable power a reality