

CLECO POWER LLC  
Form 8-K  
January 23, 2012

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 8 K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 23, 2012

CLECO CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Louisiana   | 1-15759                  | 72-1445282                           |
| (State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 2030 Donahue Ferry Road                           |                          |                                      |
| Pineville, Louisiana                              | 71360-5226               |                                      |
| (Address of principal executive offices)          | (Zip Code)               |                                      |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (318) 484-7400

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| Louisiana   | 1-05663                  | 72-0244480                           |
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On January 23, 2012, Cleco Power LLC (“Cleco Power”), a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Corporation (the “Company”), announced Cleco Evangeline LLC (“Evangeline”) as the winning bidder of its most recent Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for power supply resources. Evangeline is a wholly owned subsidiary of Cleco Midstream Resources LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company. Cleco Power's RFP sought to supplement its existing power supply resources with contractual resources of up to approximately 750 MW for a delivery term of three or five years. Evangeline submitted Coughlin Power Station as the resource for the RFP. The application for authorization of Cleco Power's selection of the Evangeline bid is anticipated to be filed with the Louisiana Public Service Commission (the “LPSC”) no later than January 31, 2012, at which time additional information will become available. The transaction is subject to the prior authorizations of both the LPSC and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The RFP was independently monitored by Ms. Elizabeth Benson, of Energy Associates, on behalf of the LPSC.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

CLECO CORPORATION

Date: January 23, 2012

By: /s/ Terry L. Taylor  
Terry L. Taylor  
Controller and Chief Accounting Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

CLECO POWER LLC

Date: January 23, 2012

By: /s/ Terry L. Taylor  
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Controller and Chief Accounting Officer