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in the the Community Community

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Planning Planning

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Entergy in New Orleans

Entergy New Orleans has been providing dependable, affordable electricity and gas to New Orleans since 1922.

160,000 electric customers

100,000 gas customers

Entergy Corp. is the only Fortune 500 headquartered in New Orleans.

Delivering Reliable Service

Leader in electric and gas reliability.

Improvements since Hurricane Katrina.

Award-winning emergency response.

My Account Online

Outage texting

View Outage website

Online energy efficiency tools Improving Customer Service and Communications

Planning for our Future

Sustaining affordable electricity costs.

Improving the quality of life in our communities.

Strong focus on economic development and business growth.

Anticipating energy needs of the future.

Sustainable, Affordable Electricity

Lowered rates four years in a row.

Rates are among the lowest in the nation.

Formula rate plan ensures savings passed on to

customers.

Entergy New Orleans Fuel Mix

A diverse fuel mix helps keep fuel costs low.

Low natural gas prices. 55%

25%

13%

7%

Nuclear

Natural Gas

Coal

Other

Giving Back: The Right Thing to Do

In 2011, Entergy contributed \$4.3 million to support charitable causes in the New Orleans area.

More than \$30 million since 2006.

2,000 volunteer hours annually in New Orleans. Working to Improve the Communities We Serve

Focus on Economic Development

In the last two years, Entergy In the last two years, Entergy New Orleans has helped attract New Orleans has helped attract

more than \$127 million in new more than \$127 million in new investments to the city. investments to the city.

Help create more than 1,125 Help create more than 1,125 new jobs. new jobs.

Entergy s Economic Impact and Jobs

Entergy s total economic impact in the New Orleans metro area was more than **\$866 million in 2010**!

6,000 direct and indirect employees

in

New Orleans area including:

400 Entergy New Orleans employees.

2,200 total Entergy employees.

3,400 indirect employees.

Entergy plays an important role in the local economy

Meeting Future Energy Needs

Investment in infrastructure.

Energy efficiency initiatives.

Regional transmission

organization - MISO.

Proposed spin/merge of transmission business.

Investing in Infrastructure

From 2011 to 2013, Entergy plans to invest an estimated \$500 million to expand and bolster the transmission system throughout Louisiana.

Building new 550 MW natural gas power generation plant in Westwego (Ninemile 6).

20% purchase power agreement for Entergy New Orleans approved by City Council Utility Committee.

Reducing Demand: Focus on Energy Efficiency

\$11 million energy efficiency program for New Orleans electric customers.

Rebates and incentives available to residential and business customers.

Since April 2011, helped more than 8,000 customers and 80 businesses:

o Saved 15 million kilowatt-hours of electricity

enough

to

power

1,300

homes for an entire year!

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Installing more than 56,000 energy efficiency measures in New Orleans homes and businesses.

Regional Transmission Organization Manages the distribution of generation and transmission of electricity. Manages supply, demand and cost of production while increasing reliability.

Allows access to a vast network of electricity buyers and sellers. There are currently seven RTOs in the United States, which serve about 60% of U.S. energy load.

Midwest Independent System Operator (MISO) operates in 13 U.S. states and Manitoba, Canada.

Large footprint.

Increased efficiencies.
Improved system reliability.
Entergy New Orleans customers will save
\$32
<u>.</u>
\$46
million.

MISO: Right Choice for Entergy & Customers

Access to diverse power generation.

(\$1.4 billion across Entergy)

Customer benefits:

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Securities
Litigation
Reform Act of 1995. Except to the extent required by the federal securities laws, Entergy undertakes no obligation to publicly
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on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, and other filings made by Entergy with the Securities and Exchange Co
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this presentation and in subsequent securities filings) involving risks inherent in the contemplated transaction, including: (1) failure to obtain ITC shareholder approval, (2) failure of Entergy and its shareholders recognize the expected benefits of the transaction, (3) failure to obtain regulatory approvals necessary to consummate the transaction

or to

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thereto will be completed, nor can it give assurances as to the terms on which such transactions will be consummated.

Additional Information and Where to Find It

transactions related

ITC and Transco will file registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) registering shares of

Transco common units to be issued to Entergy shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions. ITC will also file a SEC that will be sent to the shareholders of ITC. Entergy shareholders are urged to read the prospectus and/or information statincluded in the registration statements and any other relevant documents, because they contain important information about ITC proposed transactions. ITC shareholders are urged to read the proxy statement and any other relevant documents because they information about Transco and the proposed transactions. The proxy statement, prospectus and/or information statement, and relating to the proposed transactions (when they are available) can be obtained free of charge from the SEC s website at www documents, when available, can also be obtained free of charge from Entergy upon written request to Entergy Corporation, Inv. Box 61000, New Orleans, LA 70161 or by calling Entergy s Investor Relations information line at 1-888-ENTERGY (368-37 written request to ITC Holdings Corp., Investor Relations, 27175 Energy Way, Novi, MI 48377 or by calling 248-946-3000.

**Entergy Forward-looking Information** 

About the Spin/Merge Proposal

System Peak

Load

26,100 MW

28,000 MW

Service Area

Seven states

Four states\*

Total

Transmission

Miles

15,100 miles

15,700 miles

Service Area

Square Miles

89,850

114,669

RTO

Membership

MISO/SPP

Anticipated

MISO

membership

by 12/2013

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<sup>\*</sup>Entergy also owns limited assets in Missouri.

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The world has changed. Today demands more of the grid than the grid was built for; modern society is energy-hungry and electricity-intensive

Our city s and our region s growth, economy and prosperity are linked to

#### diverse, affordable and reliable electricity

But:

capital

investments

required

will

drive

costs

higher

for

customers

unless

new

approaches

are

taken

now

#### Estimated capital requirements

Entergy Utility investment needs could potentially exceed \$17B over the next decade

Adapting

requires

bold

strokes,

decisive

action why

Entergy

is

proposing

this

new

model

now

19 Benefits In a Nutshell

Providing safe, reliable affordable power.
Partner in the community.
Planning for the future.
Entergy Now and into the Future