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On October 25, 2011, Exelon distributed the attached press release announcing a regular quarterly dividend and pro rata dividends related to the merger with Constellation:

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## **Exelon Corporation Declares Dividends and Pro Rata Dividends**

### In Preparation for Merger with Constellation

**CHICAGO (Oct. 25, 2011)** The Board of Directors of Exelon Corporation declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.525 per share on Exelon s common stock. The dividend is payable on December 9, 2011, to shareholders of record of Exelon at 5:00 p.m. New York time on November 15, 2011.

The Board of Directors also declared dividends for the following quarter that are contingent on the effective date of the pending merger with Constellation Energy Group, Inc. (Constellation). All Exelon shareholders will continue to receive the full \$0.525 per share quarterly dividend, but may receive it in two separate payments depending on the effective date of the merger.

If the effective date of the merger is after February 15, 2012, the Board of Directors declared a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.525 per share on Exelon s common stock, payable on March 9, 2012, to shareholders of record of Exelon at 5:00 p.m. New York time on February 15, 2012.

If the effective date of the merger is on or before February 15, shareholders will receive two separate dividend payments totaling \$0.525 per share:

The first of the dividend payments will be pro-rated, with shareholders of record as of 5:00 p.m. New York time on the day before the effective date of the merger receiving \$0.00571 per share per day for the period from and including November 16, 2011, the day after the record date for the previous dividend, through and including the day before the effective date of the merger. This portion of the dividend will be paid within 30 days after the effective date of the merger.

The second of the dividend payments will also be pro-rated, with all Exelon shareholders, including the former Constellation shareholders, of record at 5:00 p.m. New York time on February 15, 2012, receiving \$.00571 per share per day for the period from and including the effective date of the merger through and including February 15, 2012. This portion of the dividend will be paid on March 9, 2012.

The pro-rated dividends, combined with the complementary dividends declared by Constellation on October 21, 2011, are designed to synchronize the two companies dividends as of the effective date of the merger.

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Exelon Corporation is one of the nation s largest electric utilities with more than \$18 billion in annual revenues. The company has one of the industry s largest portfolios of electricity generation capacity, with a nationwide reach and strong positions in the Midwest and Mid-Atlantic. Exelon distributes electricity to approximately 5.4 million customers in northern Illinois and southeastern Pennsylvania and natural gas to approximately 490,000 customers in the Philadelphia area. Exelon is headquartered in Chicago and trades on the NYSE under the ticker EXC.

#### **Cautionary Statements Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

Except for the historical information contained herein, certain of the matters discussed in this communication constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Securities Act of 1933 and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, both as amended by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as may, will, anticipate, estimate, expect, project, intend, plan, believe, target, and terms of similar substance used in connection with any discussion of future plans, actions, or events identify forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding benefits of the proposed merger of Exelon Corporation (Exelon) and Constellation Energy Group, Inc. (Constellation), integration plans and expected synergies, the expected timing of completion of the transaction, anticipated future financial and operating performance and results, including estimates for growth. These statements are based on the current expectations of management of Exelon and Constellation, as applicable. There are a number of risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from the forward-looking statements included in this communication regarding the proposed merger. For example, (1) the companies may be unable to obtain shareholder approvals required for the merger; (2) the companies may be unable to obtain regulatory approvals required for the merger, or required regulatory approvals may delay the merger or result in the imposition of conditions that could have a material adverse effect on the combined company or cause the companies to abandon the merger; (3) conditions to the closing of the merger may not be satisfied; (4) an unsolicited offer of another company to acquire assets or capital stock of Exelon or Constellation could interfere with the merger; (5) problems may arise in successfully integrating the businesses of the companies, which may result in the combined company not operating as effectively and efficiently as expected; (6) the combined company may be unable to achieve cost-cutting synergies or it may take longer than expected to achieve those synergies; (7) the merger may involve unexpected costs, unexpected liabilities or unexpected delays, or the effects of purchase accounting may be different from the companies expectations; (8) the credit ratings of the combined company or its subsidiaries may be different from what the companies expect; (9) the businesses of the companies may suffer as a result of

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uncertainty surrounding the merger; (10) the companies may not realize the values expected to be obtained for properties expected or required to be divested; (11) the industry may be subject to future regulatory or legislative actions that could adversely affect the companies; and (12) the companies may be adversely affected by other economic, business, and/or competitive factors. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on future results, performance or achievements of Exelon, Constellation or the combined company. Discussions of some of these other important factors and assumptions are contained in Exelon s and Constellation s respective filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), and available at the SEC s website at www.sec.gov, including: (1) Exelon s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K in (a) ITEM 1A. Risk Factors, (b) ITEM 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) ITEM 8. Financial Statements and Supplementary Data: Note 18; (2) Exelon s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011 in (a) Part II, Other Information, ITEM 1A. Risk Factors, (b) Part 1, Financial Information, ITEM 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) Part I, Financial Information, ITEM 1. Financial Statements: Note 13; (3) Constellation s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K in (a) ITEM 7. Management on Form 10-K in (a) ITEM 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) Part I, Financial Information, ITEM 1. Financial Statements: Note 13; (3) Constellation s 2010 Annual Report on Form 10-K in (a) ITEM 1A. Risk Factors, (b) ITEM 7. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) ITEM 8.

Financial Statements and Supplementary Data: Note 12; and (4) Constellation s Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2011 in (a) Part II, Other Information, ITEM 1A. Risk Factors and ITEM 5. Other Information, (b) Part I, Financial Information, ITEM 2. Management s Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations and (c) Part I, Financial Information, ITEM 1. Financial Statements: Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements, *Commitments and Contingencies*. These risks, as well as other risks associated with the proposed merger, are more fully discussed in the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus included in the Registration Statement on Form S-4 that Exelon filed with the SEC and that the SEC declared effective on October 11, 2011 in connection with the proposed merger. In light of these risks, uncertainties, assumptions and factors, the forward-looking events discussed in this communication may not occur. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date of this communication. Neither Exelon nor Constellation undertake any obligation to publicly release any revision to its forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this communication.

#### Additional Information and Where to Find it

In connection with the proposed merger between Exelon and Constellation, Exelon filed with the SEC a Registration Statement on Form S-4 that included the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus. The Registration Statement was declared effective by the SEC on October 11, 2011. Exelon and Constellation mailed the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus to their respective security holders on or about October 12, 2011. WE URGE INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS TO READ THE DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND ANY OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC, BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION about Exelon, Constellation and the proposed merger. Investors and security holders may obtain copies of all documents filed with the SEC free of charge at the SEC s website, www.sec.gov. In addition, a copy of the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus may be obtained free of charge from Exelon Corporation, Investor Relations, 10 South Dearborn Street, P.O. Box 805398, Chicago, Illinois 60680-5398, or from Constellation Energy Group, Inc., Investor Relations, 100 Constellation Way, Suite 600C, Baltimore, MD 21202.

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