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This document and the exhibits hereto contain certain statements that describe ITC management s beliefs concerning future by conditions and prospects, growth opportunities and the outlook for ITC s business, including ITC s business and the electric industry based upon information currently available. Such statements are forward-looking statements within the meaning of

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Additional Information and Where to Find It Additional Information and Where to Find It

ITC filed a registration statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-184073) with the SEC registering the offer and sale of shares of ITC common stock to be issued to Entergy shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions. This registration statement includes a proxy statement of ITC that also constitutes a prospectus of ITC.

This registration statement was declared effective by the SEC on February 25, 2013. ITC mailed the proxy statement/prospectus to its shareholders on or about February 28, 2013. ITC shareholders are urged to read the proxy statement/prospectus included in the ITC registration statement and any other relevant documents because they contain important information about TransCo and the proposed transactions. In addition, TransCo will file a registration statement with the SEC registering the offer and sale of TransCo common units to be issued to Entergy shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions. Entergy shareholders are urged to read the proxy statement/prospectus included in the ITC registration statement and the prospectus to be included in the TransCo registration statement (when available) and any other relevant documents, because they contain important information about ITC, TransCo and the proposed transactions.

The proxy statement/prospectus, prospectus and other documents relating to the proposed transactions (when they are available) can be obtained free of charge from the SEC s website at www.sec.gov. The documents, when available, can also be obtained free of charge from Entergy upon written request to Entergy Corporation, Investor Relations, P.O. Box 61000 New Orleans, LA 70161 or by calling Entergy s Investor Relations information line at 1-888- ENTERGY (368-3749), or from ITC upon written request to ITC Holdings Corp., Investor Relations, 27175 Energy Way, Novi, MI 48377 or by calling 248-946-3000.

This communication is not a solicitation of a proxy from any security holder of ITC. However, Entergy, ITC and certain of their respective directors and executive officers and certain other members of management and employees may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from shareholders of ITC in connection with the proposed transaction under the rules of the SEC. Information about the directors and executive officers of Entergy, may be found in its 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on February 27, 2013, and its definitive proxy statement relating to its 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on March 23, 2012. Information about the directors and executive officers of ITC may be found in its 2012 Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 1, 2013, and its definitive proxy statement relating to its 2012 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on April 12, 2012.

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Regional
Planning
Vitez
IDI
IPL
Transaction
Experience
&
Results

Jipping

Local Presence

Break

15 mins

Financial

Flexibility

and

Growth

Lewis

Financial Strength of ITC Bready

& Engagement

w/Retail

Regulators

Jipping

Transaction Structure

EMI credit impact & debt issuance/retirement

Pre/Post Transaction Capital Structure

Transaction Impact on ADIT Liability

EMI Credit Ratings Impacts

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Regional Planning Vitez

Significant capital requirements to continue modernizing the grid best handled by an independent company who can better manage the transmission portion of capital spend

Affords the EOCs financial flexibility to manage the necessary investment in G&D Independent ownership and operation of Entergy Transmission System (ETS) extracts the greatest benefits in an RTO with a Day 2 market Consistent with efforts towards independent transmission operation and ownership Nation's first, largest, & only publicly-traded independent transmission company A proven track record of best-in-class performance, improving reliability for ETS Extensive experience with **MISO** and committed to facilitating the **MISO** Day 2 Market Inter-RTO experience applicable to ETS's seams with SPP and other regions Financially sound with strong investment grade credit ratings & access to capital Opportunities for greater economies and efficiencies Final step in over a decade of work to pursue best management structure for ETS Eliminates perception of bias in transmission system planning and operations Comparable sizes of ITC's and the **EOCs** (Entergy Operating Companies) transmission businesses allows for a tax efficient transaction not necessarily

available in future

The right transaction...
...with the

right
partner...
at the right
time
This transaction creates the right model
for the benefit of our customers...now and into the future
ITC Transaction is the Right Transaction
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with the Right Partner at the Right Time
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U.S. Transmission Grid
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Historically Fragmented and Inefficient
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Historically, transmission infrastructure development in the U.S. primarily focused on connecting load and resources within balancing authority areas, with little interregional or national perspective In contrast,

U.S. Electric Power Transmission Grid

More than 211,000 high voltage transmission line miles

Operated by ~130 balancing authority areas (ownership is even more fragmented)

Source: FEMA, NERC

kV

kV

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345

345

500

500

Introduction

Industry Evolution

ITC s Business Model

ITC s Proven Track Record

Benefits Beyond MISO

Commitment to Louisiana & Communities we serve

Transaction Value for Louisiana Strategic Overview Strategic Overview ITC ITC

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Why now?

Why for EMI? Rationale

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Singular focus

Transaction

results

in

two

companies

that

are

more

specialized

and

focused

ITC

on transmission and Entergy on generation and distribution

Operational excellence, cost efficiency, customer focus Wholesale markets and a regional planning view

Transaction

facilitates

infrastructure

investment

and

fosters

competition

activities

that enhance wholesale electricity markets

Structural separation of the transmission business from generation and distribution businesses encourages greater participation in the transmission planning process and disclosure of information by third parties

Independent model aligns with national policy objectives Financial strength and flexibility

Transaction will yield separate companies with strong balance sheets and greater capability

to

finance

the

infrastructure

investment

requirements

today

and

in

the future

Proven independent business model for owning and operating transmission systems Independence from all buyers and sellers of electric energy allows ITC to plan improvements to the electric transmission grid for the broadest public benefit

Operational Excellence: Operational Excellence: Quantitative Value of Reliability Quantitative Value of Reliability

Data from the SGS Study benchmarking study can be used to quantify the resulting improved reliability

The U.S. Department of Energy s Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability has developed a tool to estimate interruption costs and the benefits associated with reliability improvements

A one minute improvement in System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) for ITC*Transmission* and METC results in one year savings of \$7.7M

Compared to the performance of the median utility in the SGS Study, this amounts to a value of about \$153 million per year delivered by ITC s Michigan utilities

The calculation is based on data for the two largest load serving entities in Michigan from 2010 and 2011, with major storms e and METC data reflect a three year average SAIDI from the SGS Study, given that performance changes year over year.

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Operational Excellence:
Improving Reliability of Acquired Systems
Fewer outages:
According to the SGS Statistical Services' Transmission Reliability
Benchmarking Study, ITC*Transmission*and METC now perform with the best 10% of
companies for number of sustained outages per circuit. As ITC's

most recently acquired system, ITC Midwest improvement programs have had less time to be effective. However, performance showed continued improvement in 2011.

Operational Excellence: Improving Reliability of Acquired Systems

Shorter

outages:

According

to

the

SGS

Study,
•
average
circuit
outage
duration
for
all
three
ITC operating companies is less than the Region and Peer Group. Transmission circuit
outages do not equate to end-use customer outages in most cases, except for ITC Midwest.

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Utilize standard equipment when possible to drive greater efficiencies (e.g. breaker replacement completed in two versus six weeks)

Utilize equipment with track record of longer life, resulting in lower maintenance and replacement costs

Engage in strategic alliances to ensure that needed equipment is available to meet project timelines

Purchasing power leads to better pricing when buying large volume of transmission equipment Cost Efficiencies Cost Efficiencies Standardization and Specialization Standardization and Specialization

Ability to attract and retain personnel with high levels of interest and expertise in electric transmission avoids turnover and training costs (important when facing near-term shortage of skilled workers)

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Customer Focus

Customer Focus

Dedicated Stakeholder Relations group for all stakeholders,

providing advocacy and issue resolution at ITC

Stakeholders include investor-owned, municipal and cooperative utilities, independent power producers and retail load of large industrial and commercial retail customers connected at transmission level voltages

Proactively meet with stakeholders to identify stakeholder issues and resolve any concerns through one-on-one meetings and semiannual

Partners

in

Business

meetings

Energy policy, legislative and regulatory matters

Capital project, transmission planning and preventive maintenance

Operations preparedness for summer peak load and storm events

Transmission rates

Timely customer communication

Storm restoration

Planned outages to eliminate or minimize any potential risk and costs to industrial processes

Unplanned outages regarding cause, estimated duration, and future prevention

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Storm Response
Storm Response
Utilizing Best Practices
Utilizing Best Practices
ITC Technical/Management

employee assigned to

ETR System Command

Center in Jackson, MS

ITC employee

ETR employee

Storm response organization will be modified to ensure

close coordination and interaction between Entergy and ITC

Customer

Transmission Prioritization

Resource Coordination

ETR System Incident

Commander (SIC)

ITC System Incident

Commander (SIC)

System Section

Chiefs

System Planning

Section Chief

System Resource

Section

System Logistics

Section

Restoration

Prioritization Branch

Director

ITC Section

Chiefs

Entergy Liaison

Coord.

(New position)

Functional Incident

Commanders

EMI

Customer

ITC Planning

Section

ITC Logistics

Section

ITC Resource

Section

Logistics Coordination

(ex. Fossil, EOC,

Nuclear, Gas)

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Fosters Regional Planning Fosters Regional Planning

ITC has track record of planning its transmission systems to:

Address local, state, and regional reliability needs

Increase the economic efficiency of the overall grid

Respond to transmission needs identified in state and regional processes

When deficiencies are identified on the transmission system, such as inadequate capacity to meet load under certain contingency conditions, ITC plans, develops and constructs transmission projects to address such deficiencies

ITC is committed to planning its transmission system in an open and transparent manner; ITC has its own processes that supplement the already open and transparent processes used by MISO

Transaction enhances customer benefits beyond what could be achieved through the Entergy Operating Companies proposed MISO membership

ITC has proven it has the expertise, resources, and capital not only to plan but also to construct needed investment

ITC s regional approach to transmission planning will enhance deliverability of generation throughout the region to provide a more economic source of energy for customers

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IPL Transaction Experience & Results

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ITC has invested approximately \$1.1 billion to improve the ITC

Midwest transmission system since acquisition of IPL assets

Projects needed to upgrade and improve existing lines and substations, construct new lines to serve load growth and improve reliability, resolve system constraints and provide interconnection for new load and generation Major activities:

Built 26 new substations

Completed 32 major substation upgrades/expansions

Built nearly 26 miles of new line

Rebuilt nearly 400 miles of existing lines

Added four and replaced three major transformers

ITC Midwest reduced sustained outages from those experienced in 2008 (the last year IPL operated and maintained the system) by 50% in 2009, 24% in 2010, and 58% in 2011

Key

Project:

Salem-Hazleton

81-mile,

345

kV

line

connecting

Dubuque

and

Buchanan

Counties

in

eastern

lowa

Regional planning had long identified as needed to resolve system constraints and reduce energy costs.

Expected completion: 2013

ITC Midsouth Regulatory and External Affairs Organization ITC Midsouth Regulatory and External Affairs Organization

ITC

Chief Business Officer

ITC

Midsouth

Director,

Regulatory

Affairs

ITC Midsouth

Director,

State Gov t

Affairs

ITC Midsouth

Director,

Local Gov t

& Comm.

Affairs

ITC Midsouth

Director,

Stakeholder

Relations

An ITC executive (VP and BU Head)

will be responsible for the following

ITC Midsouth functions:

Regulatory Affairs

State Government Affairs

Local Government and Community Affairs

Stakeholder Relations ITC Midsouth staff will be located throughout the Entergy footprint to perform these functions

Regulatory Affairs Managers will be located in each state capital

Managers and other support staff will be geographically dispersed to cover the other

functions

These employees and functions will

report to ITC s Chief Business

Officer

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

Texas

ITC Midsouth

VP and Business Unit Head

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

Texas

Mississippi

Arkansas

Louisiana

Texas

Mississippi Arkansas

Louisianan

Texas

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ETR Utilities

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Capital Needs Capital Needs

Could Total ~\$13B-16B Over 2012-2018 Could Total ~\$13B-16B Over 2012-2018 Actual and Forecast Entergy Utilities Investment (\$B) 0 5 10 15 20 1999-2004 2005-2011 2012-2018 Average 2 = \$1.9B -\$2.3B Total = \$13.0B -\$15.8B Average = \$1.4B -\$1.7B Total = \$9.7B -\$11.7B Average 1 = \$1.1BTotal = \$6.5B??? Effect of EPA rules? Aging infrastructure? 1. Range based on actuals plus storm capital. 2. Range based on projections of **ETR** Utilities base

capital plan

3. Potential spend related to potential economic development projects, potential new generation investment, and potential new storm spend. Potential storm spend for forward looking period is an estimate based on annual average spend over 2005-10 to illustrate potential of capital requirement Potential spend is not included in base capital plan Note: ETR Utilities includes EAI, ELL, EGSL, EMI, ETI, ENO, SERI, ESI, EOI, SFI; EOCs include EAI, ELL, EGSL, EMI, ETI, and ENO Actual excluding storms (Transmission and Non-Transmission) Potential spend Past storm spend

plus potential spend

Base case

Transmission

Transmission

EOC

EOC

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EOC Transmission

conservative (Transmission and Non-Transmission)

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EMI Total Capital Needs Could Total EMI Total Capital Needs Could Total

~\$1.5B

~\$1.5B

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$1.6B Over 2012-2018
$1.6B Over 2012-2018
Actual and Forecast Capital Investment
for EMI ($B)
0.5
1.5
0
2012-2018
2005-2011
1999-2004
2
1
Average
= $213M -
$232M
Total = $1.5B -
$1.6B
Average
1
= $164M -
$177M
Total = $1.2B -
$1.2B
Average
= $148M
Total = $0.9B
Actual excluding storms (Transmission and Non-Transmission)
Past storm spend
Potential spend
???
Effect of EPA rules?
Aging infrastructure?
1. Range
based
on
actuals
plus
storm
capital.
2.
Range
based
on
projections
of
EMI s
base
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capital

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Transmission Transmission
Base case conservative (Transmission and Non-Transmission) 3

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Note: Historical data excludes storm capital, as there is no capital associated with future storms in base capital plan projections Numbers presented are only for EOCs (EAI, EGSL, ELL, EMI, ETI, ENO) and excludes SERI/ESI **EOCs**

EOCs

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Transmission Capital
Transmission Capital
Could Total ~$3.5B Over 2012-2018
Could Total ~$3.5B Over 2012-2018
Average = $254M
Total = \$1.8B
Average= $502M
Total = \$3.5B
Actual and Forecast Transmission Investment for EOCs
($B)
2005-2011
1999-2004
2012-2018
0
2
1
4
3
Projected base case capital
plan as of August 2012
Actual
Average= $200M
Total = \$1.2B
Transmission Capital Spending for EOCs Could Increase
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Nearly 100% in the Next Seven Years

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EMI Transmission Capital
EMI Transmission Capital
Could Total ~\$0.5B Over 2012-2018
Could Total ~\$0.5B Over 2012-2018

Average= \$68M Total = \$474MActual and Forecast Transmission Investment for **EMI** (\$M) 200 0 2012-2018 2005-2011 1999-2004 400 100 300 500 Average= \$36M Total = \$216M

Projected base case capital

plan as of August 2012

Transmission Capital Spending for EMI Could Increase

Nearly 83% in the Next Seven Years

Actual

Average = \$37M

Total = \$259M

Note: Historical data excludes storm capital, as there is no capital associated with future storms in base capital plan projections

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EMI Transmission CapX as Multiple of Depreciation
EMI Transmission CapX as Multiple of Depreciation
Nearly Twice as High as Non-Transmission
Nearly Twice as High as Non-Transmission

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EMI Average CapX as Multiple of Depreciation (2012-18 Average)

For EMI,

Transmission

Constitutes ~47% of

Capital in Excess of

Depreciation, despite

being 22% of rate

base

3.0

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1.6

Transmission

Non-

Transmission

Note: Based on figures filed in testimony at MPSC

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Benefits from
Benefits from
Financial Flexibility for Entergy
Financial Flexibility for Entergy

Transmission-Related Cash

Capital Requirements Go Away Utility Operating Cash Flow Minus Cash Construction Expenditures 2014E 2018E; \$B Status Quo With ITC Transaction **Utility Debt Obligations** 2018E; \$B Stronger Utility Balance Sheet Improves Ability to Invest in Generation and Distribution Status Quo With ITC Transaction Note: As detailed in direct testimony, Transaction has two separate effects on remaining entity's cash flow: OCF: EOCs no longer earn on transmission rate base spun-off (negative effect on cash flow) Cash Construction Expenditures: transmission related cash capital requirements go away (positive effect on cash flow for EOC Net effect on **EOCs** is positive transmission Cash Construction Expenditures over 2014-2018 is higher than transmission **OCF** 20% \$2.7B 4.34 5.20 0 2 4 6 0 3 6 9 12

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Benefits

Benefits

from

from

Financial

Construction Expenditures

over

Financial
Flexibility
Flexibility
for
for
EMI
EMI
Transmission-Related Cash
Capital Requirements Go Away
EMI Operating Cash Flow Minus
Cash Construction Expenditures
2014E
2018E (\$M)
EMI Debt Obligations
2018E (\$M)
Stronger Balance Sheet Improves Ability
to Invest in Generation and Distribution
Status Quo
With ITC
Transaction
Status Quo
With ITC
Transaction
0
100
200
300
400
1,000
0
500
1,500
298
334
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higher

than

transmission

OCF

12%

\$353M

2828Financial Strength and FlexibilityFinancial Strength and Flexibility

Transaction offers the financial strength of ITC and improves that of EMI to support the escalating capital investment requirements facing the electric

industry

ITC has a singular focus with no internal competition or competing priorities for capital or other resources; provides a stronger, separate balance sheet to support the transmission capital requirements

ITC better positioned to efficiently capitalize the significant and sustained level of transmission investment required in the Entergy region, including Mississippi

Post-close, EMI would be better positioned to attract capital separately to finance needed

investments

in

generation

and

distribution

at

lower

costs

and

to

manage

future uncertainty regarding event risk (e.g., new regulatory requirements or major storms)

ITC s MISO operating companies are deemed to be of higher credit quality than EMI, as well as most vertically-integrated utilities

Enables consistent and predictable access to cost-effective capital, even during challenging economic times; supports enhanced liquidity

Given significant and sustained level of transmission capital investment requirements, as well as unforeseen needs, credit quality and access to capital are paramount

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Credit Quality Enhancement Overview
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Debt Cost Savings
Debt Cost Savings

Expect new ITC operating companies to have ratings equivalent to that of

ITC s existing MISO operating companies

FERC rate construct utilized by ITC s operating companies viewed favorably by the rating agencies and investors, which supports lower debt financing costs

ITC is seeking FERC rate construct for its new operating companies as part of this transaction

Results in lower borrowing costs of approximately 45 bps to 205 bps relative to the status quo EOCs, depending on Op Co and market conditions

Merger between Entergy s Transmission Business and ITC is expected to lead to material interest expense savings, which will benefit Entergy s customers

Reflected in both the initial capitalization of the new ITC operating companies, including ITC Mississippi, as well as future debt financings to fund transmission investment requirements

Aggregate debt financing cost savings estimated in the range of \$24 million to \$27 million in 2014 (first full year of ownership) for the new ITC operating companies Over a five-year period (2014-2018), estimate debt financing cost savings for the new ITC operating companies in a range of approximately \$125 million to \$156 million (in nominal dollars)

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Entergy Shareholders

Transmission

Business \$1,775M of new debt will be raised ~\$1.2B of the new debt will be raised at the transmission operating companies ~\$575M will be raised directly by Entergy and will be subject to a debtfor-debt exchange with debt issued by MidSouth TransCo Mid South TransCo TransCo **OpCos** (Six) Entergy will create and distribute shares of Mid South TransCo to Entergy shareholders (Mid South TransCo will own all of Entergy s transmission operating companies upon separation) Immediately prior to the merger, ITC will distribute \$700M to existing shareholders, funded by new debt at ITC Holdings (Required to align ITC s equity value with

that of the Entergy Transmission Business) ITC

Shareholders

Entergy Shareholders Mid South TransCo TransCo OpCos (Six) Entergy Shareholders ITC Shareholders Merger Sub Mid South TransCo will immediately merge with ITC Merger Sub and will become a wholly-owned subsidiary of ITC; Entergy shareholders will receive 50.1% ownership in the combined company 1 2 3 4

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Transaction Structure

100%

Entergy

Shareholders

Mid South

TransCo LLC

OpCos

ITC

Shareholders

ITC

OpCos

49.9%

Note: Chart represents ownership structure immediately upon closing of the transaction.

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\$1.775B of Debt Proceeds Used to Retire Preferred and \$1.775B of Debt Proceeds Used to Retire Preferred and Pay Down Debt in Proportion to Transmission Assets Pay Down Debt in Proportion to Transmission Assets

The allocation for EMI was estimated in order to:

Retire all Preferred at each Operating Company

Target a post-transaction weighted average cost of capital (WACC) that is substantially unchanged from the pretransaction WACC

EOC

Amount (\$M)

1

EAI

502

EGSL

263

ELL

413

EMI

290

ENO

22

ETI

284

Total

1,775

The amount of debt proceeds allocated to each EOC is an estimate based on a forecast The final amounts allocated to each EOC may vary to the extent forecast assumptions differ from the circumstances that exist at the time of closing.

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EMI Credit Metrics are Expected to be EMI Credit Metrics are Expected to be Maintained Through the Transaction Maintained Through the Transaction

Direct Testimony of Expert Witness Dr. Michael Tennican

will reduce the Operating Companies' total debt and total capitalization...

...will eliminate substantial capital expenditures for transmission

...will reduce EM1 s needs for debt financing...

"...should not affect EM1 s current investment-grade rating...

...should help preserve or possibly enhance Entergy's S&P rating...

...should preserve EMI's access to debt capital on reasonable terms even in difficult market conditions...

1. Testimony of Dr. Michael Tennican before the MPSC, Docket 12-UA-358 Any potential credit ratings improvement for EMI could result in savings for Mississippi customers through lower cost of debt

EEI Data: 54% of Utilities Ended at a EEI Data: 54% of Utilities Ended at a

Lower Credit Grade in 2011 Compared to 2001 Lower Credit Grade in 2011 Compared to 2001 Cumulative % of Companies at Lower/Higher Rating

in 2011 Compared to 2001

54

Downgrades

No changes

Total

100

19

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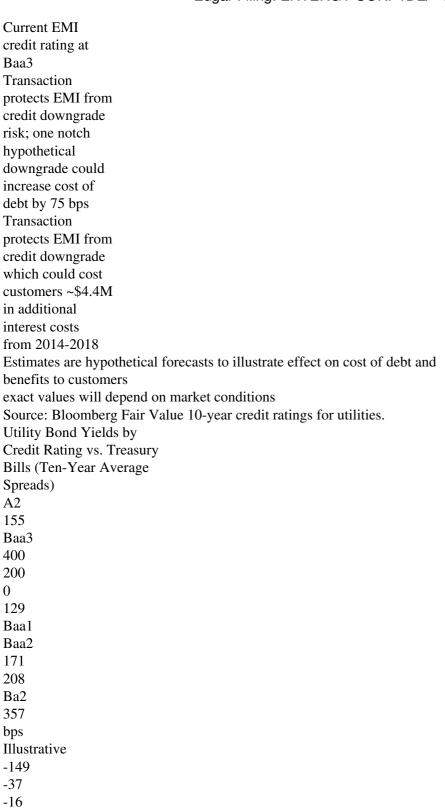
Upgrades

Source: EEI 2011 Q3 Credit Ratings Charts

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Transaction Protects EMI from Transaction Protects EMI from Negative Impact to Credit Ratings Negative Impact to Credit Ratings



-25

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Re-Measurement of ADIT

Comparable equity

of
ITC
and
the Entered
Entergy
Operating
Companies
combined
T-business at this point
in time enable execution of a Reverse Morris Trust
transaction structure where T-business is spun-off to existing ETR shareholders and
merged with ITC
Through the Reverse Morris Trust Transaction structure,
EMI
will
not
incur
a
tax
liability
Under a taxable transaction, the tax basis of EMI s transmission assets would be
reset and
Accumulated
Deferred
Income
Taxes
(ADIT)
would
be
re-measured,
resulting
in
lower
balances
of
ADIT
ADII
Because ADIT ultimately lowers T-rates in cost of service ratemaking, re-measuring
ADIT would otherwise result in higher T-rates in a taxable transaction, all other
things being equal
As a result of the RMT transaction structure,
EMI s
transmission
assets

values

will have

the same tax basis post-transaction as they had prior to the Transaction Accordingly, the negative rate effects for customers that otherwise would have resulted from change in tax basis under taxable transaction are avoided **RMT Transaction Structure Avoids** Preserving Tax Basis for EMI and Protecting Customers from Negative Rate Effects of a Taxable Transaction

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Significant variability in average residential bills Significant variability in average residential bills yearly variation between \$1 and \$18 over 2001-2011 yearly variation between \$1 and \$18 over 2001-2011

Henry Hub Gas Index (\$/mmBtu) 2.7 3.1 5.4 5.9 8.3 6.5 6.9 9.0 3.8 4.4 4.0 Henry Hub Gas Index (\$/mmBtu) 15 10 5 0 **EMI** Avg. Monthly Residential Bill 1,000 kWh (\$) 150 100 50 0 2011 91.28 2010 89.81 2009 92.18 2008 99.44 2007 96.30 2006 111.07 2005 98.93 2004

80.78 2003

85.28 2002 77.37 2001 83.46

18% reduction in customer

bills since 2006

EMI Avg. Monthly Residential Bill-

1,000 kWh(\$)

Henry Hub Gas Index

Note: Residential bills are the average of the Typical Monthly Bills in that year for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh, ex Source: Entergy Regulatory Services, Typical Bill Report

Illustrative

-18%

+1.47

(+2%)

+18.14

(+22%)

40

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Transmission Constitutes a Small Portion of a Transmission Constitutes a Small Portion of a Typical Mississippi Customer's Total Bill Typical Mississippi Customer's Total Bill

6.6% Transmission Non-Transmission 93.4%

Typical EMI Customer Bill

Note: Average of January 2011 December 2011 typical bills for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh per month; non-tran monthly bill includes fuel and portions of the fixed customer charge and energy charge allocated to generation and distribution as the inclusion of various riders.

Transition from current retail rate construct to FERC-regulated rate construct expected for ITC

Analysis assumes MISO base ROE for new ITC operating companies (12.38%) and capital structure currently utilized by ITC operating companies (60% equity/40% debt)

Benefits

of

credit

quality

improvement

resulting

from

transition

to

FERC-

regulated rate construct partially offset impacts Rate Impacts Split into Rate Construct, Rate Timing, Rate Impacts Split into Rate Construct, Rate Timing,

and Other Effects for Retail Customers

and Other Effects for Retail Customers

Forward Test Year: Eliminates regulatory lag in recovery of capital investments

One-time impact of conversion to forward test year

Reflects amounts that would have been collected in future years

Schedule MSS-2 construct eliminated post-Transaction

Current

estimation

reflects

effect

of

paying

load

ratio

share

of

Transmission

cost factoring in zonal investment (single MS zone) and retail share of

Transmission investments

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EMI Residential Bill

1,000 kWh

(\$)

100

60

40

20

0

Illustrative Bill

if ITC owns

T assets

post-transaction

~91.94

2014

WACC

Effects

~0.66

Illustrative Bill if ETR

owns

T assets

status quo

91.28

EMI Typical Residential Customer Bill

EMI Typical Residential Customer Bill

Expected

Expected

to

to

Increase

Increase

0.7%

0.7%

Expected

Expected

Mitigation by Customer Benefits

Mitigation by Customer Benefits

Note:

Contents exclude estimated

one-time 2014 rate timing

effects of \$0.73 due to

conversion to forward test year

reflects amount that would

have been collected in future

years

and of \$0.93 due to

accelerated elimination of

MSS-2 for EMI

Illustrative

~0.66

0.7%

Note: \$91.28 is the average of the 2011 Typical Monthly Bill for a residential customer using 1,000 kWh, excluding taxes. Cal indicative of the rate effects of the spin-merge transaction and is not meant to project an actual future customer bill. Illustration include rate timing effects such as adoption of forward test year.

Over the long term, customer bill effects expected to be mitigated by...

Enhanced Financial Flexibility

Operational Excellence

Independent and transparent ITC model

Regional Planning

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Modest Bill Effect of 0.7% on Modest Bill Effect of 0.7% on Selected Commercial and Industrial Class Selected Commercial and Industrial Class

Expected Mitigation by Customer Benefits
Expected Mitigation by Customer Benefits
2014 Transaction Bill Effects
Selected
Retail Class
Retail Class
Description
Typical
Bill
WACC
Effects
Total
Effect

%

Change

EMI

GS

25 kW, 30% Load Factor

\$548.50

3.86

3.86

0.7%

Illustrative

Note: Calculation indicative and illustrative of the rate effects of the spin-merge transaction and is not meant to project an actu customer bill. Illustration does not include effect of \$5.45 due to accelerated elimination of MSS-2 for EMI or rate timing effect due to adoption of forward test year.

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Sensitivity of Residential Rate Effects Sensitivity of Residential Rate Effects to Variations in Spend to Variations in Spend

Sensitivity to
10% Increase
in Spend
Total
Transaction
Bill Effect
Sensitivity to
10% Increase
in Spend
Total
Transaction
Bill Effect
Sensitivity to
10% Decrease
in Spend
Sensitivity to
10% Decrease
in Spend
1.
Typical
EMI
bill
of
\$91.28
reflects
the
average
of
the
2011
Typical
Monthly
Bills
for
residential
customer
using
1,000
kWh,
excluding
taxes.
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customer bill.
EMI
#01.30
\$91.28
EMI

\$91.28 + \$0.11

O&M Spend + \$0.03 Capital Expenditure Spend \$0.66 \$0.66 \$0.11 \$0.03 Typical Monthly Residential Bill 1 Typical Monthly Residential Bill

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Change in How Wholesale Rates are Determined Due to Change in How Wholesale Rates are Determined Due to Adoption of MISO's 12 CP Demand Methodology Adoption of MISO's 12 CP Demand Methodology

Note: Amount

paid remains the same because the customer consumes the same amount of transmission service in both methodologies. The methodology affects the units of measuring rates and the units of measuring consumption but the amount paid is same and is reconsumed In both methodologies aggregate amount paid by customer consuming a certain amount of Transmission service will remain the same Α В **Current ETR OATT** ETR OATT with 12 CP 2014 Transmission Net Revenue Requirement 2014 Transmission Net Revenue Requirement Single annual peak demand x 12 months Aggregated 12 coincident peaks (CP) demand over year Same Revenue Requirement numerator Same Revenue Requirement numerator Same Revenue Requirement numerator Same Revenue Requirement numerator Single highest peak in a month x 12 Sum of peak demands in each month of year Higher demand denominator Lower demand denominator \$ 2.43 / kWm \$ 1.85 / kWm

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Wholesale Rates for EMI Customers
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Increase Post-Transition to MISO
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Estimated 2014 WS rates post

transition to MISO with 4 **Transmission Pricing Zones** 3.65 **Estimated Net Rate Effect** of adopting default MISO ROE and implementing 4 **Transmission Pricing Zones** 1.22 Estimated 2014 WS rates paid under ETR OATT under One Transmission Pricing Zone 2.43 3 4 Estimated 2014 Wholesale Transmission Rate Effects ***using 12 CP methodology*** (\$/kWm) 2 1 0 Note: Calculation indicative and illustrative is not meant project an actual future customer bill. Estimates are preliminary and draft prior to rate filings in first quarter of 2013 Wholesale rate effects estimation does not factor in any production

costs savings and

other benefits to be achieved through transition to MISO RTO

Rates have been estimated using 12 CP methodology used under MISO Attachment O. Current ETR OATT methodology uses a single annual peak rather than 12 CP. Change in methodology does not imply a change in Revenue Requirements hence customers do not pay different amounts under 12 CP employed by MISO vs. single annual peak employed by ETR. The equivalent number to \$2.43 /kWm under 12 CP would be a \$1.85 /kWm under single annual peak. The per unit estimation may be different but the amount paid by the customer is the same.

Illustrative

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Includes estimated one-time rate effect of ~\$0.30 due to conversion to forward test year reflects amounts that would have been collected in future years

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Transaction-Related Filings Pending Before the Transaction-Related Filings Pending Before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

1Q2013, EMI and other EOCs will file MISO Attachment O formula rate at the FERC to be effective in the event the ITC transaction is not consummated Joint ITC/Entergy Corp/ESI/EOCs filing:

EC12-145-000

Transaction approval (FPA 203)

ER12-2681-000

Formula rate and related agreements approval (FPA 205)

EL12-107-000

Declaratory Order regarding dividend payments from capital accounts (FPA 305)

ER12-2682-000

transmission assets into MISO if Transaction closes before full

ER12-2683-000

potential period before MISO provision)

ER12-2693-000

ES13-5-000

ES13-6-000

financing

(FPA 204)

ES11-40-002

MISO

filing:

Module

B-1,

Interim

provisions

for

integration

of

the

ESI

filing

behalf

of

EOCs:

Ancillary

services tariff

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cover

ESI filing on behalf of EOCs: Amends the Entergy System Agreement to delete MSS-2 upon closing of the Transaction ITC filing: Authorization for financing (FPA 204) **ESI** filing on behalf of the Wires Subs: Authorization Entergy-MISO integration **EOCs** filing: Authorization for

financing

(FPA

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2014 Rate Effect from ITC Transaction for 2014 Rate Effect from ITC Transaction for Typical Mississippi Wholesale Customer Typical Mississippi Wholesale Customer
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Expected Mitigation by Customer Benefits Expected Mitigation by Customer Benefits Note: Includes estimated onetime rate effect of ~\$0.30 due to conversion to forward test year reflects amounts that would have been collected in future years; excludes offsetting depreciation study impact of ~\$0.15 Estimated EMI Wholesale Transmission Rate Effects (\$/kWm) (1) 3.75 ITC Ownership (0.13)Credit Quality Impacts 0 2 3 1 Rate Construct Effects from FERC Regulated Model 0.23 **Estimated ETR** Ownership in MISO * 3.65 5 * Reflects ETR transition into MISO including establishment of four transmission pricing zones and 12.38% ROE (1) Does not apply to GFA customers Illustrative Net Effect of ~\$0.10 or 2.7% **Expected FERC Construct Effects** Customer bill effects expected to be mitigated by... Operational Excellence Reliability, System Performance, etc.

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Enhanced Financial Flexibility

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