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On September 25, 2012, ITC filed a registration statement on Form S-4 (Registration No. 333-184073) with the SEC registering common stock to be issued to Entergy shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions, but this registration statement become effective. This registration statement includes a proxy statement of ITC that also constitutes a prospectus of ITC, and ITC shareholders. In addition, TransCo will file a registration statement with the SEC registering TransCo common units to be Entergy shareholders in connection with the proposed transactions. Entergy shareholders are urged to read the proxy statement included in the ITC registration statement and the proxy statement/prospectus to be included in the TransCo registration statement available) and any other relevant documents, because they contain important information about ITC, TransCo and the proposed ITC shareholders are urged to read the proxy statement/prospectus included in the ITC Registration Statement and any other redocuments because they contain important information about TransCo and the proposed transactions. The proxy statement/pro other documents relating to the proposed transactions (when they are available) can be obtained free of charge from the SEC swww.sec.gov

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Steps taken
ON BEHALF OF CUSTOMERS

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Service improvements
Service improvements
More options
More options
More information
More information
Greater control

Greater control Community investment Community investment

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Continually working to
MEET FUTURE NEEDS
Expanded generation
Expanded generation
Maintained some of the nation s
Maintained some of the nation s
lowest rates
lowest rates

MISO Initiative MISO Initiative ITC Transaction ITC Transaction Powering TOMORROW

Rick Riley Rick Riley VICE PRESIDENT VICE PRESIDENT ENERGY DELIVERY ENERGY DELIVERY 7

Entergy s
TRANSMISSION BUSINESS
15,000 + circuit miles of
15,000 + circuit miles of
transmission lines at voltage
transmission lines at voltage
levels of 69 kV and above
levels of 69 kV and above
Spans portions of five states

Spans portions of five states Approx. 1,500 substations Approx. 1,500 substations Transmission headquarters Transmission headquarters Employees, vehicles, other Employees, vehicles, other buildings and more buildings and more 8

Developed city-by-city, Developed city-by-city, in patchwork fashion in patchwork fashion

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not nationally

not nationally
Fragmented
Fragmented
Inefficient
Inefficient
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The existing U.S.
TRANSMISSION GRID

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Plans announced April 2011
Manages the dispatch of generation
Regional transmission planning process
Coordinate regional operation of transmission
Brings buyers and sellers Into a centrally
managed organized market
Results in greater efficiency
Drives value to Entergy customers

Features of a REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATION

Plans announced December 2011
Plans announced December 2011
Shifts ownership of Entergy s
Shifts ownership of Entergy s
transmission business
transmission business
A singular focus in transmission,
A singular focus in transmission,

delivering proven results delivering proven results Introducing fully separated, INDEPENDENT TRANSMISSION

Substantial
FUTURE CAPITAL INVESTMENT REQUIRED
Estimates of \$1.5 trillion
Estimates of \$1.5 trillion
to \$2 trillion
Compliance requirements
Compliance requirements

Environmental regulations Environmental regulations

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Entergy s historical Interest
IN RTOs
Encouragement from Regulators
2000
2003
2006
2012

Joint RTO application with SPP rejected by FERC

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Joint effort with SETRANS fell apart

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Establishment of ICT

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SPP has served as ICT since then

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SPP contract expired November

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MISO is now serving as the ICT

Regional focus
Immense energy pool from
Canada to Gulf
Efficient, proven Day 2 market
Projected customer savings of
\$1.4B in first decade
One of the country s
FIRST AND LARGEST RTOs

Jeanne Kenney
VICE PRESIDENT
PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT
Leading Transmission Regulatory Implementation Team (TRIT)
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Invest

Invest

Issue Debt

Issue Debt

Project Delays

Project Delays

Rate Base

Rate Base

Attrition (CapX > Depn)

Attrition (CapX > Depn)

Dilution

Dilution

Rate Case

Rate Case

Issue Equity

Issue Equity

Regulatory Lag

Regulatory Lag

Capital Markets

Capital Markets

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Large and growing CHALLENGES TO FINANCING GRID

Investment to
CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
Similarly, utilities must
Similarly, utilities must
invest in transmission
invest in transmission
infrastructure.
infrastructure.

CapX/depreciation ratio trends
DEMAND SIGNIFICANT EXTERNAL FINANCING

Note: FERC data from Energy Velocity

The rapid increase in capital expenditures

for

transmission
in
recent
years,
combined
with
the
long
depreciation
lives
for
transmission
assets,
means that transmission capital expenditures in particular far exceed their related depreciation cash flows.
4
3
2
1
0
2010
2009
2008
2007
2006
2005
2004
2003
2002
2001
2000
Overall
Generation
Distribution
Transmission
2.6
3.0
1.9
3.7
1.1
0.7
1.8
1.5
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Create larger footprint; upsize balance sheet

Duke / Progress

Northeast Utilities / NSTAR

PPL/LG&E

First Energy / Allegheny

Exelon / Constellation
Achieve greater certainty in regulations

e.g., Formula rate plans, future test years, specific rider recovery, CWIP in rates, etc.

e.g., FPL Rate Hike Request Align business model with capital needs

e.g., AEP TransCo
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Industry is responding
WITH DIFFERENT APPROACHES
Consolidate
Build Regulatory
Flexibility / Certainty
Change Business Model

Largest company of its kind Largest company of its kind More than 15,000 miles of More than 15,000 miles of transmission lines transmission lines Operations in seven Operations in seven states:

states:

Michigan, Iowa, Illinois,
Michigan, Iowa, Illinois,
Minnesota, Missouri, Kansas,
Minnesota, Missouri, Kansas,
Oklahoma
Oklahoma
Has RTO experience as
Has RTO experience as
transmission-owning member of
transmission-owning member of
both MISO and SPP
both MISO and SPP
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INDEPENDENT TRANSMISSION COMPANY

ITC is the nation s largest

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750 employees
750 employees
New ITC Midsouth region
New ITC Midsouth region
Headquartered in Jackson, MS
Headquartered in Jackson, MS

New corporate citizen New corporate citizen

23 Entergy s long advocacy for INDEPENDENT TRANSMISSION

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Regulators retain control and influence over
TRANSMISSION ASSETS
Retail Regulators
Retail Regulators

Will

Will

still
still
set
set
OpCos
OpCos
retail
retail
revenue
revenue
requirements
requirements

Will still have jurisdiction over retail rate design Will still have jurisdiction over retail rate design

Will have a role on MISO advisory committee Will have a role on MISO advisory committee

Will have siting authority Will have siting authority

May intervene in some FERC proceedings May intervene in some FERC proceedings

HEARINGS ACROSS JURISDICTIONS

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LPSC -

EGSL\ELL

Hearings

9/5/12

9/20

NO City Council ENO

9/12/12

APSC EAI 9/28/12 Hearings **MPSC EMI** 10/5/12 Direct/Rebuttal/Sur-rebuttal/Rejoinder/Protests Hearings Hearings 2/8 7/31 3/29 9/25 **PUCT** ETI NOTE: EAI, ELL, EGSL, EMI and ENO schedules have been approved by the Regulators rest are in process of finalization. Blue symbols stand for various critical dates related to Staff Rebuttal, Intervenor Rebuttal, Responses, Sur-rebuttal and Rejoinders PUCT preference Filing dates Filing dates Hearings Hearings Decision Decision ITC/ETR under discussion Missouri PSC -**EAI** 1/13 **EOM May** 8/23 proposed close date Discussions between ETR & ITC Discussions w/regulators/ staff/parties Settlement Settlement **Process Process** Stipulations finalized

Approval

8/09 Hearings APSC will typically not discuss settlement until after direct testimony filed; settlements must be proposed to commission 10 days before hearings 9/15 **FERC** 9/26/12 203/5 10/31/12 204 204 204 203/5 203/5 204 203/5 **Technical Conference Technical Conference** Procedural schedules for 2012 2013 Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr

May June July Aug Sep

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Expansive, super-regional energy
marketplace
Financial capacity for investment
Improved reliability
Lower long-term costs while
enhancing the grid
Multifaceted
BENEFITS TO ENTERGY CUSTOMERS

UTILITY
OPCOS
ENTERGY
WHOLESALE
COMMODITIES
MID SOUTH
TRANSCO LLC
(NEW HOLDCO)
ITC MERGER

SUB

Transco Subs

ITC After

Generation

Distribution

Retail customer service

ENTERGY SHAREHOLDERS

OWN STOCK IN TWO COMPANIES

ETR After

Transmission

Up to \$700M

recapitalization

(pre-close)

ETR and

OpCos

reduce

debt by

\$1.775B

\$1.775B DEBT

TRANSFERRED

WITH ASSETS

TRUST

Up to ~5%

ITC Shares

ITC

Shares

ETR

Shares

ETR

Shares

Up to ~5%

Proposed

Spin-Merge

of

Transmission

Business

ENTERGY

SHAREHOLDERS

ITC

SHAREHOLDERS

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The Merger Transaction

END STATE

Transmission
Manager
Directs Regional
Transmission, Dispatch
and Movement of
Electricity
Transmission Owner
Builds, Operates and
Maintains Physical

Transmission Assets Utility Generates and Distributes Provides Customer

Service

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Electricity.

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From the Current to the FUTURE GRID Current grid is fragmented, Current grid is fragmented, inefficient inefficient

211,000 transmission line 211,000 transmission line miles miles More than 140 operators More than 140 operators

Huge regional Huge regional market market Improved Improved infrastructure infrastructure Efficient use of

transmission system transmission system More secure energy More secure energy future future 31 FUTURE GRID Creating the

Financial strength and flexibility; two balance sheets Financial strength and flexibility; two balance sheets to finance investments in the grid to finance investments in the grid Singular focus in areas of expertise: Entergy on Singular focus in areas of expertise: Entergy on generation and distribution; ITC on transmission generation and distribution; ITC on transmission Opportunity afforded by a new corporate citizen and Opportunity afforded by a new corporate citizen and

new investment in our communities and region new investment in our communities and region New model creates key benefits: STRENGTH, EXPERTISE, OPPORTUNITY 32

Estimated impact to average (1,000kWh/mo) Estimated impact to average (1,000kWh/mo) residential customer monthly bill is **about a dollar**. residential customer monthly bill is **about a dollar**.

The benefits of the transaction The benefits of the transaction

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improved reliability and efficiency improved reliability and efficiency

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lower overall costs of delivered energy lower overall costs of delivered energy are expected to offset the modest change in rates. are expected to offset the modest change in rates.

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For our customers,

WHAT

IS

THE

IMPACT

TO

BILLS?

Closing conditions, regulatory reviews AND APPROVALS REQUIRED

The transaction is subject to the satisfaction of customary closing conditions.

Primary filings and approvals required are summarized below.

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Authority

Entergy s Retail

Regulators

Change of control of transmission assets

Affiliate transaction approvals related to steps in the spin/merge

Authorization to incur debt in some jurisdictions Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Change of control of transmission assets (203 filing)

Acceptance of jurisdictional agreements (205 filing)

Authorization to assume debt/issue securities (204 filings)

Changes to System Agreement to remove provisions related to transmission planning and equalization

ITC filing to establish new rate tariffs for the ITC operating companies Hart-Scott-Rodino Act

Pre-merger notification to review potential antitrust and competition issues Internal Revenue Service

Private letter ruling substantially to the effect that certain requirements for a tax-free treatment of the distribution of TransCo are met Securities and Exchange Commission

ITC Form S-4 and Proxy Statement (including audited TransCo financial statements and disclosures), and

TransCo Registration Statement ITC Shareholders Approval required for:

Merger,

Issuance of shares to ITC shareholders, and

Amendment to ITC charter to increase authorized number of shares Requirements

Entergy's current ICT agreement with SPP is replaced by ICT agreement with MISO ITC Midsouth OpCos become TOs in MISO immediately following transaction close and participate in MISO MTEP as TOs MISO assumes functional control of transmission system and continues as

Reliability Coordinator; ICT agreement is terminated

MISO and ITC file with FERC

Attachment O templates and tariff

sheets to implement formula rates; no

rate pancaking

MISO is the Transmission Provider

under MISO Tariff with select Entergy

processes retained under new Module

B-1 for transition period

For the transition period, MISO will

delegate select tasks to ITC via

Appendix I Agreement

Transco Close

MISO replaces SPP as the

Independent Coordinator of

Transmission (ICT)

(December 2012)

ITC Midsouth OpCos become

Transmission Owners in

MISO

(upon closing)

Entergy OpCos become

Market Participants in

MISO

(December 2013)

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Entergy MISO Integration and the

ITC TRANSACTION

Entergy OpCos become Market

Participants in MISO

Module B-1 is cancelled

Delegation of Module B-1

functions to ITC under TOA

Appendix I terminates

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