## December 17, 2015

## Notice of Intent to Issue a Request for Proposals 2016 ELL Renewable RFP

**Entergy Services, Inc.'s 2016 Renewable RFP -** Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI") hereby provides notice to interested parties that it intends to issue a Request For Proposals for Renewable Resources for Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("ELL") (the "RFP"), which would be issued by Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI") on behalf of ELL. ESI expects to post draft RFP documents in February 2016 and final RFP documents in April 2016. Postings will be to ESI's website for the RFP, <u>https://spofossil.entergy.com/ENTRFP/SEND/2016ELLRenewableRFP/Index.htm</u>. Proposals responsive to the RFP may be due as early as June 2016. All referenced time periods are subject to change.

ELL has identified a need to add up to 2,100 MW of capacity by 2020 to address forecasted load growth and potential unit deactivations. ELL is pursuing certification of the St. Charles Power Station CCGT and is soliciting proposals from existing resources in MISO and developmental resources in the West of the Atchafalaya Basin planning region. While CCGT technology is the major building block of ELL's resource plan, ELL recognizes that renewable resources continue to make improvements in efficiency and cost.

In the RFP, ESI expects to seek up to 200 MW of renewable resources to identify potentially cost-effective renewable resources that can provide fuel diversity and other benefits to customers. Eligible resources include existing and developmental projects. The minimum capacity per proposal for all technologies, except PV Solar, is 20MW. The minimum capacity for PV Solar will be 500kW and the RFP will be limited to potential selection of 3 PV solar projects. There will be a maximum of 50MW per individual project as well as a maximum of 100MW total for any specific technology. To be eligible to participate in the RFP, the resource would need to be physically delivered to MISO and financially delivered to the Louisiana Load Zone.

Bidders in the RFP would be permitted to submit proposals for power purchase agreements ("PPAs"). The delivery term for a PPA or Toll would be a maximum of twenty (20) years. The scheduled start date for a PPA would be as early as June 1, 2018. The buyer under any PPA arising out of the RFP does not intend to accept the risk that long-term debt associated with the contract may be transferred to its books (via, for example, lease, "variable interest entity," or other accounting treatment).

Eligible technology sought by this RFP includes Biomass Energy, Hydrokinetic (limited to only run-of-river hydro), Solar Photovoltaic, Solar Thermal, and Wind.

The RFP would include criteria to ensure that a resource, at the time of proposal submission, is in a stage of development appropriate for evaluation in the RFP. The criteria include requirements that the resource satisfies, among other things, the RFP's threshold development criteria. Because affiliates will not be allowed to participate in the RFP and there is no self-build option being evaluated, an independent monitor will not be retained.

Questions about this notice or the RFP should be directed to the administrator of the RFP at <u>esirfp2@entergy.com</u>.