

Appendix A

Glossary

For

2012 Request For Proposals For Long-Term, Supply-Side Baseload Resources

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APPENDIX A GLOSSARY

"2012 Baseload RFP" means this RFP.

"2012 Baseload RFP Website" means the internet website https://spofossil.entergy.com/ENTRFP/SEND/2012Rfp/Index.htm.

"Accepted Electrical Practices" or "Good Utility Practices" means those practices, methods, and acts generally employed or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility power generation industry in the relevant region of the United States of America during the relevant time period that, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision in question was being made, would have been expected to accomplish the desired result of such decision consistent with good electric utility power generation industry practices and the requirements of applicable Laws. Accepted Electrical Practices are not limited to the optimum practices, methods, or acts to the exclusion of all others, but rather include a spectrum of possible practices, methods, and acts generally employed or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility power generation industry in the relevant region of the United States of America during the relevant time period that meets the requirements of the preceding sentence.

"Affiliate" means, with respect to any specified Person, any other Person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with such specified Person. For purposes of this definition, "control" (including, with correlative meanings, the terms "controlling," "controlled by" and "under common control with"), as used with respect to any Person, shall mean the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of such Person, whether through the ownership of voting securities or interests having voting power, by agreement or otherwise.

"<u>Affiliate Rules</u>" means rules and regulations promulgated by federal, state and local regulatory agencies to address interactions between a utility and its affiliates engaged in competitive markets; settlement agreements between an Entergy Operating Company and a regulatory agency to address such interactions; and FERC-ordered standards of conduct to address interactions between transmission function and marketing functions employees.

"AGC" or "Automatic Generation Control" means a generating unit under automatic dispatch from a System control center.

"Ancillary Agreement" means any agreement related to the Definitive Agreement.

"<u>BA Penalties</u>" means penalties, fees, assessments or other costs or charges for failure to satisfy any policy, rule, guideline, procedure, protocol, standard, criterion or requirement of any applicable transmission provider, market monitor, ICT or Balancing Authority (including any

applicable RTO or ISO) or other Transmission Provider, including imbalance charges for energy imbalances.

"Balancing Authority" means the Person(s) in control of the physical operating of, and responsible for fulfilling the duties necessary to operate, a Balancing Authority Area.

"Balancing Authority Area" means an electric power system or combination of electric power systems to which a common automatic generation control scheme is applied in order to: (i) match, at all times, the power output of the generators within such electric power system(s) and the net power purchased from or sold to Persons outside such electric power system(s) with the load within such electric power system(s); (ii) maintain scheduled interchange with other such electric power system(s), within the limits of Accepted Electrical Practices; (iii) maintain the frequency of such electric power system(s) within reasonable limits in accordance with Accepted Electrical Practices; and (iv) provide sufficient generating capacity to maintain operating reserves in accordance with Accepted Electrical Practices. "Balancing Authority Area" may sometimes be referred to in this RFP as "Control Area."

"Baseload Capacity" means 7 x 24, around-the-clock generating capability.

"Baseload Product" means long-term, unit contingent Baseload Capacity, capacity-related benefits, energy, environmental attributes and Other Electric Products from an Eligible Resource pursuant to a PPA. The Baseload Product is more particularly described and addressed in Appendix C.

"Bidder" means a Person that submits (or, prior to the applicable due date, intends or expects to submit) a proposal or complete the Bidder Registration Process in response to this RFP, or any group of Persons having a pre-existing contractual relationship, such as co-owners of a resource, that submits jointly (or, prior to the due date, intends or expects to submit jointly) a proposal or complete the Bidder Registration Process in response to this RFP based on such pre-existing contractual relationship. A group of Persons that has jointly developed a proposal pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Main Body may also be a "Bidder."

"Bidder ID" or "Bidder Identification Number" means the unique Bidder identification number assigned to Bidder during the Bidder registration process.

"Bidder Registration Period" means the period of time provided for Bidder Registration, which, in general, will begin at 8:00 a.m. CPT on the date specified in the applicable RFP Schedule and will end at 5:00 p.m. CPT on the date specified in the applicable RFP Schedule.

"<u>Bidder Registration Process</u>" means the process (described in Appendix B-1 and Section 5.3 of the Main Body) for Bidders to register the entity submitting its proposal(s), the generation resource(s), and each of the proposals it intends to submit in response to this RFP.

"<u>Bidders' Conference</u>" means the conference relating to this RFP described in Section 5.2 of the Main Body and scheduled to be held on the date for the Bidder's Conference set forth in Appendix H, as may be modified from time to time.

"Business Day" means any day except Saturday, Sunday or, with respect to the scheduling of power, a holiday as defined by the North American Electric Reliability Council or any successor organization thereto or, with respect to payments and all other matters, a holiday observed by Federal Reserve Banks in New York, New York. For notice purposes, a Business Day shall open at 8:00 a.m. and close at 5:00 p.m. Central Prevailing Time.

"Buyer" means one or more of the Included Entergy Operating Companies, as designated by ESI.

"Capacity" or, as the context requires, "capacity" means the megawatt output level that the generating unit is capable, as of a given moment, of continuously producing and making available at the Energy Delivery Point, taking into account the restrictions on operation, the operating condition of the equipment at that time, the auxiliary loads, line losses and other relevant factors prior to the Energy Delivery Point. For purposes of this RFP, the term "Capacity" or "capacity" includes any and all capacity-related benefits associated with such Capacity, notwithstanding any provision in which "Capacity" or "capacity" is followed by the term "capacity-related benefit[s]."

"<u>Capacity Payment</u>" means the Monthly payment to be made by Buyer to Seller, in arrears, under the Definitive Agreement for Seller's delivery to Buyer of the Dependable Capacity during the Delivery Term, as more particularly described in Appendix C to this RFP and the Main Body.

"Capacity Quantity" means the amount of Capacity of a rated generating unit or Contract Capacity, expressed in MW.

"Capacity Rate" means the rate, expressed in \$/kW-year, payable by Buyer to Seller for Dependable Capacity for a defined period during the Delivery Term, as more particularly described in Appendix C to this RFP and the Main Body.

"CCGT" means combined-cycle gas turbine.

"<u>CET Credit Rating</u>" means the internal credit rating assigned to Bidder by the CET. The CET's determination and use of the CET Credit Rating are more particularly described in Appendix E to this RFP.

"Common Facilities" means the portion of a resource under the joint ownership of Seller and one or more other Persons.

"Contract Capacity" means the total Capacity Quantity from a resource that Seller has agreed to provide to Buyer under the applicable Definitive Agreement, including the Dependable Capacity and any excess Capacity that may be available from the resource from time to time.

"<u>CPI</u>" means the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers; US City Average; All Items: Not Seasonally Adjusted (base index year 1982-1984 = 100), as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, from time to time.

"CPT" or "Central Prevailing Time" means the local time in Houston, Texas.

"<u>Credit Evaluation Team</u>" or "<u>CET</u>" means the Evaluation Team responsible for analyzing potential credit issues associated with Bidder proposals submitted in response to this RFP, as further described in Appendix E to this RFP.

"Credit Support Provider" means any Person that Bidder proposes in a proposal under this RFP as a credit support provider on its behalf.

"Day" or "day" means a period of twenty four (24) consecutive hours, beginning at 00:00 CPT; provided, however, that (i) on the Day on which central daylight time becomes effective, the period shall be twenty-three (23) consecutive hours, and on the Day on which Central Standard Time becomes effective, the period shall be twenty-five (25) consecutive hours and (ii) if FERC or any other Governmental Authority having jurisdiction modifies the beginning time for a Day, the beginning and ending time for a Day shall be revised to correspond to the time established by FERC or such Governmental Authority, as the case may be.

"<u>Definitive Agreement</u>" means a legally binding agreement, mutually executed and delivered by authorized representatives of Buyer and Seller, setting forth the definitive terms and conditions of a Transaction. For the avoidance of doubt, a "Definitive Agreement" does not include a letter of intent, memorandum of understanding, or any other similar preliminary written agreement or document with respect to the Transaction, or any acceptance, written, oral, or other, of any offer or proposal.

"<u>Deliverability Evaluation Process</u>" or "<u>DEP</u>" means the process used to assess the issues and costs associated with the delivery of a Product offered by a Bidder under the terms of its proposal.

"<u>Delivery Assessment Team</u>" or "<u>DAT</u>" means the Evaluation Team responsible for assessing the issues and costs associated with the delivery of a Product offered by Bidder under the terms of its proposal, as described in Section 6.3 of the Main Body.

"<u>Delivery Term</u>" means the period of time in which Seller is obligated to sell and Buyer is obligated to purchase Capacity, energy, environmental attributes and Other Electric Products under the Definitive Agreement. The "Delivery Term" is, for purposes of this RFP, limited to

Products A, B and C and is more particularly described in the Term Sheets for Product Package A, Product Package B and Product Package C, respectively, attached as Appendix C to this RFP.

- "Dependable Capacity" means the Capacity from a resource, expressed in MW, that Seller has agreed to provide to Buyer at the Capacity Rate under the applicable Definitive Agreement.
- "Developmental Resource" or "Developmental Proposal" means a Facility or resource that, as of the date of Bidder's proposal with respect to such Facility or resource, has not been placed into commercial service and has not been accepted by its owner as having achieved (or been deemed to have achieved) the requirements for commercial operation (or analogous term) under the applicable project contracts, or a proposal for such a resource submitted in response to this RFP.
- "Economic Evaluation Team" or "EET" means member(s) of the Evaluation Team responsible for analyzing the economics of Bidder proposals submitted in response to this RFP (as further described in Section 6.2 of the Main Body).
- "<u>Electric Reliability Organization</u>" or "<u>ERO</u>" means NERC and/or the entity designated by FERC pursuant to the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to establish and oversee standards for maintaining reliability of the United States' electric grid (or any regional organization with authority delegated therefrom).
- "Electrical Interconnection Point" means either the point at which two systems or Balancing Authority Areas meet or intersect, where power can flow from one area to another, or the delivery point at which the applicable resource connects to the transmission system of a utility within a Balancing Authority Area, as the context requires.
- "Eligible Participants" means the Persons eligible to participate in this RFP (as further described in Section 1.7 of the Main Body).
- "<u>Eligible Resources</u>" means resources eligible to participate in this RFP (as further described in Section 1.9 of the Main Body).
- "Eligible Technologies" means generation technologies eligible to participate in this RFP (as further described in Section 1.8 of the Main Body).
- "Energy Delivery Point" means the point on the Entergy Transmission System at which deliveries of Capacity and energy from Seller to Buyer under a Definitive Agreement are required to be made and measured.
- "Entergy Competitive Affiliate" means any Affiliate of Entergy Corporation, other than ESI, Entergy Operations, Inc., any of the Entergy Operating Companies or System Energy Resources, Inc.

"Entergy Electric System" means the interconnected, coordinated, electric utility systems of the Entergy Operating Companies that provide retail electric service to the customers.

"Entergy Energy Delivery Business Unit" or "EED BU" means the ESI organization that plans, constructs, and operates the Entergy System, or any successor unit, organization or Person.

"Entergy OATT" or "Entergy's OATT" means the Open Access Transmission Tariff of ESI, as agent for the Entergy Operating Companies, filed at FERC in compliance with FERC Order Nos. 888 and 890.

"Entergy Operating Committee" or "Operating Committee" means the administrative organization established pursuant to the Entergy System Agreement, consisting of members designated by the chief executive officers of, as of the date hereof, each of the Entergy Operating Companies and by the chief executive officer of Entergy Corporation. The duties of the Entergy Operating Committee include, but are not limited to: (i) administering the Entergy System Agreement and any amendments thereto on a day-to-day basis; (ii) making decisions on the installation of generation, bulk power transmission, communication, and other facilities necessary for the supply of capacity and energy to the Entergy System; (iii) promulgating standards that may be required for the safe and reliable operation of the Entergy System; and (iv) determining and generally supervising communications, interchange and AGC, metering, economic dispatch and relaying facilities necessary for the purpose of the Entergy System Agreement.

"Entergy Operating Companies" or "Operating Companies" means the regulated electric utilities owned, directly or indirectly, by Entergy Corporation. As of the date of this RFP, the Entergy Operating Companies are Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., Entergy Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc., and Entergy Texas, Inc.

"Entergy System" or "System" means the interconnected, coordinated, electric utility systems of the Entergy Operating Companies that provide retail electric service to their customers.

"Entergy System Agreement" means that certain System Agreement, first made and entered into on April 23, 1982, by and among ESI and the Entergy Operating Companies, as amended from time to time. In late 2013 and 2015, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. and Entergy Mississippi, Inc., respectively, will terminate their participation in the Entergy System Agreement.

"Entergy Transmission System" means the interconnected group of transmission lines and substations owned, leased or controlled by the persons that, as of the date of this RFP, constitute Entergy Operating Companies, each in its capacity as the owner and/or lessee of regulated transmission and distribution functions, and/or its successor(s) in such capacity, that are used to transfer bulk electricity between supply and delivery points, notwithstanding that there may be a Balancing Authority (including any RTO or ISO) applicable thereto that covers a system broader

than such interconnected group of transmission lines and substations. The Entergy Transmission System includes the OASIS connection point of the Entergy Electric System. For the avoidance of doubt, the Entergy Transmission System, as used in this RFP, specifically includes the transmission lines and substations owned or leased by Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

"ESI" means Entergy Services, Inc.

"Evaluation Team" means the group of individuals who, individually or collectively, are responsible for evaluating the proposals (or specific components thereof) submitted in response to this RFP. The Evaluation Team will consist primarily of members of SPO and Entergy's Fossil Generation Department. The Evaluation Team includes the Economic Evaluation Team, the Delivery Assessment Team, the Viability Assessment Team, and the Credit Evaluation Team, all as more particularly described in the Main Body.

"<u>Facilities Study</u>" means an engineering study conducted by Entergy's ICT to determine the required modifications, if any, to the Entergy Transmission System and other changes that will be required to provide the requested transmission service, including the costs and scheduled completion dates of such modifications and changes.

"FERC" means the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, or any successor thereto.

"<u>Firm Point-to-Point Service</u>" means the reservation and transmission of capacity and energy on a firm basis from the point(s) of receipt to the point(s) of delivery under the applicable tariff of the transmission provider.

"Governmental Authority" means any federal, foreign, state, local, or municipal governmental body; any governmental, quasi-governmental, regulatory or administrative agency, commission, body or other authority (including FERC, any ERO, any market monitor, any independent coordinator of transmission, any Balancing Authority (including any ISO or RTO) and any other Transmission Provider) exercising or entitled to exercise any administrative, executive, judicial, legislative, policy, regulatory or taxing authority or power; or any court or governmental tribunal.

"HHV" means Higher Heating Value.

"Imbalance charges" means all penalties, fees, assessments, and other costs or charges assessed or imposed by (i) a Transmission Provider or a Balancing Authority Area operator for failure to satisfy applicable requirements for the balancing of electric energy receipts and deliveries or loads and generation, including, without limitation, all charges, compensation or settlements pursuant to an applicable tariff or rate schedule or a Balancing Authority's or Transmission Provider's balance or rate schedule requirements and all amounts payable by Seller pursuant to a generator imbalance agreement (or similar agreement) relating to the resource, including, without limitation, costs of purchasing imbalance or real-time energy to settle undergenerated

contract energy and settlement at negative prices of overgenerated contract energy, or (ii) a transporter for failure to satisfy the transporter's balance and/or nomination requirements, including, without limitation, all charges, compensation or settlements pursuant to an applicable tariff or rate schedule or the transporter's balance and/or nomination requirements, including, without limitation, fuel resale losses on underconsumed fuel, increased fuel purchase costs of overconsumed fuel.

- "Included Entergy Operating Companies" means one or more of the Entergy Operating Companies, but specifically excluding Entergy Arkansas, Inc.
- "Independent Coordinator of Transmission" or "ICT" means the Independent Coordinator of Transmission (as defined in Entergy's OATT), which provides direct and substantial oversight of the operations of the Entergy System. As of the date of this RFP, the ICT is the Southwest Power Pool.
- "Independent Monitor" or "IM" means Ms. Elizabeth (Betsy) R. Benson of Energy Associates, an independent consulting firm retained by ESI to act as independent monitor for this RFP.
- "ISO" means a Person operating a transmission system and found by the FERC to be an Independent System Operator.
- "kW" means kilowatt, a unit of electrical power equal to one thousand watts.
- "<u>kWh</u>" means kilowatt-hour, a basic unit for measuring the flow of electric energy. A kWh is equal to one kilowatt of power supplied continuously for one hour (or the amount of electricity needed to light ten 100-watt light bulbs for one hour).
- "<u>Letter of Intent</u>" or "<u>LOI</u>" means a letter of intent between ESI, as agent for Buyer, and Bidder (or authorized Seller) (or directly between Buyer and Bidder (or authorized Seller)) with respect to a proposal submitted by Bidder pursuant to this RFP and selected by ESI for negotiation of a Definitive Agreement.
- "<u>LGIA</u>" means Standard Large Generator Interconnection Agreement, an interconnection agreement applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the OATT.
- "<u>LGIP</u>" means Standard Large Generator Interconnection Procedures, the interconnection procedures applicable to an Interconnection Request pertaining to a Large Generating Facility that is included in the OATT.
- "Long-Term Network Integration Transmission Service" means transmission service for one year or longer provided under Part III of Entergy's OATT, or successor thereto.

- "Long-Term Network Resource" means a generating resource that has qualified for Long-Term Network Integration Transmission Service.
- "Main Body" means the main document describing this RFP and to which twelve (12) appendices are attached.
- "Maximum Dependable Capacity" means the expected Dependable Capacity allocated to Buyer for the applicable contract year of the Delivery Term.
- "MISO" means the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator, Inc.
- "Month" or "month" means the period beginning at 00:00 CPT on the first Day of each calendar month and ending at the same hour on the first Day of the next succeeding calendar month.
- "MW" means megawatt, a unit of electrical power equal to one million watts or one thousand kilowatts.
- "MWh" means megawatt-hour, a unit of electrical energy equal to one MW delivered for one hour.
- "NERC" means the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, or any successor thereto.
- "O&M" means operation and maintenance.
- "OASIS" means Open Access Same-Time Information System, required by FERC to be the only source of information on electric transmission capacity availability. The OASIS website for the Entergy Operating Companies is http://oasis.e-terrasolutions.com/OASIS/EES.
- "OATT" means Open Access Transmission Tariff.
- "Off-System Resource" means a generation resource located outside of or not directly interconnected to the Entergy Transmission System.
- "Other Electric Products" or "ancillary services" means reactive power production, reactive power absorption, voltage control, regulation and frequency response, energy balancing, load following, reserves and any other services, capabilities or products (including any ancillary services but excluding any capacity credit or similar right or benefit or environmental attribute) available from or associated with the Capacity and energy to which Buyer is entitled under the applicable Definitive Agreement.
- "Person" means any individual, Governmental Authority, corporation, limited liability company, partnership, limited partnership, trust, association, bank, financial institution, fund or other entity.

"PPI" means the Producer Price Index for "All commodities – WPU00000000," as published by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

"<u>Primary Selection List</u>" means a final list setting forth the proposal(s) selected for immediate negotiation of Definitive Agreement(s).

"Product" means the Baseload Product.

"<u>Proposal ID</u>" or "<u>Proposal Identification Number</u>" means the unique proposal identification number assigned to Bidder for each proposal that Bidder registers during the Bidder Registration Process.

"Proposal Submission Agreement" means the Proposal Submission Agreement that each Bidder is required to execute and deliver to ESI as part of the Proposal Submission Process.

"<u>Proposal Submission Process</u>" means the process (described in Appendix B-2 and Section 5.4 of the Main Body) for the submission of Bidder proposals and required documents to ESI in this RFP.

"Proposal Submission Template" means the template that will be used to submit a portion of Bidder's proposal pursuant to information requested in Appendix C of the RFP. The Proposal Submission Template will be submitted as part of the Bidder's Proposal Package (see Appendix B-1).

"<u>Proposal Submittal Fee</u>" means the amount due from Bidder for each registered proposal submitted by Bidder prior to the deadline for submitting proposals under this RFP, as further described in Section 5.3 of the Main Body and Appendix B-1 to this RFP.

"Published Credit Rating" means, with respect to any Person, the unsecured, senior long-term debt rating (not supported by any third party credit enhancement) of such Person or, if there is no such rating, the long-term issuer rating of such Person, in each case assigned by Standard & Poor's Ratings Group (a division of McGraw Hill, Inc.) or its successor or Moody's Investor Services, Inc. or its successor. In the event of a "split" rating between S&P and Moody's, the lower of the two credit ratings will apply.

"PURPA" means the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978, as amended.

"Qualifying Facility" or "QF" means a cogeneration or small power production facility that meets certain requirements under PURPA and the applicable federal and state implementing regulations.

"Regional Transmission Organization" or "RTO" means any Person that satisfies the characteristics and functions of Regional Transmission Organizations as set forth in 18 C.F.R.

- 35.34. The RTO is voluntary in each region and may include transmission system owners, wholesale purchasers, and independent power generators.
- "Required Proposal Submission Time" means 5:00 p.m. CPT on the date specified in the applicable RFP Schedule.
- "<u>Resource ID</u>" or "<u>Resource Identification Number</u>" means the unique resource identification number assigned to Bidder for each generating plant Bidder that registers during the Bidder Registration Process.
- "RFP" means either this 2012 Request for Proposals for Long-Term, Supply-Side Baseload Resources, dated August 28, 2012 (including all Appendices and other attachments thereto), or another request for proposals, as the context requires.
- "RFP Administration Team" is a group of designated employees of ESI and its Affiliates who assist the RFP Administrator.
- "RFP Administrator" means the individual identified in Section 1.5 of the Main Body who, among other things, (i) acts as a liaison between the market participants in this RFP and ESI on all RFP-related matters, (ii) ensures that Bidder questions ESI receives are addressed in an appropriate manner, (iii) receives, records and maintains Bidder proposals, (iv) interfaces with the IM, and (v) manages other administrative matters relating to this RFP. The full set of the RFP Administrator's duties is set forth in Appendix F to this RFP.
- "RFP Hotline" means the dedicated phone line available throughout the Bidder Registration Period from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. CPT.
- "RFP Schedule" means the schedule of milestones related to this RFP set forth in Appendix H, as may be modified by ESI from time to time in accordance with this RFP.
- "Secondary Selection List" means a final list setting forth the proposal(s) selected for possible negotiation of Definitive Agreement(s).
- "Seller" means a Bidder, or other Person designated by such Bidder in its proposal under any Term Sheet, to enter into a Definitive Agreement with Buyer pursuant to this RFP process if such Bidder's proposal is selected by ESI.
- "Separate Facilities" means the portions of a facility under separate ownership of Seller and one or more other Persons.
- "SME" means subject matter expert.
- "SPO" means Entergy's System Planning & Operations organization.

"<u>System Impact Study</u>" means an assessment by Entergy's ICT of (i) the adequacy of the Entergy Transmission System to accommodate a request for either Firm Point-To-Point Service or Long-Term Network Integration Transmission Service and (ii) the additional costs or charges, if any, that may be incurred to provide the requested transmission service.

"<u>Technical and Bidders' Conferences</u>" means the Bidders' Conference hosted by ESI and the Technical Conference hosted by the LPSC, both relating to this RFP and described in Section 5.2 of the Main Body and scheduled to be held on the date for the Bidder's Conference set forth in Appendix H, as may be modified from time to time.

"Term Sheet" means the bid submission term sheet in Appendix C to this RFP. The Term Sheet describes the primary commercial terms of the Definitive Agreement to which Seller would be committing through submission of a proposal, informs Bidders of the information Bidders will be required, requested or permitted to include as part of their proposals, and, in certain instances, requires Bidder to insert information into the Term Sheet as part of its proposal.

"<u>Transaction</u>" means a commercial transaction arising or resulting from this RFP in which Seller provides to Buyer Capacity, energy, environmental attributes, and Other Electric Products from a specified resource and that is structured as a power purchase agreement.

"Transmission Provider" means any Person that owns, leases, operates, controls, administers and/or coordinates transmission or distribution facilities used for the transmission of electricity, or any other Person that performs any functions supporting such functions, including the Persons that, as of the Effective Date, constitute Entergy Operating Companies, each in its capacity as the owner and/or lessee of regulated transmission and distribution functions (which, for the avoidance of doubt, includes its successor(s) in such capacity), and any market monitor, independent coordinator of transmission or Balancing Authority (including any applicable RTO or ISO). For the avoidance of doubt, for purposes of this RFP, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. is a Transmission Provider.

"<u>Viability Assessment Team</u>" or "<u>VAT</u>" means the Evaluation Team responsible for assessing the viability of each Bidder proposal submitted in response to this RFP (as further described in Section 6.4 of the Main Body).