

**Entergy Services, Inc.'s 2009 Amite South RFP** – As of September 15, 2008, and consistent with notice to be provided to the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC" or the "Commission"), Entergy Services, Inc. ("ESI") is providing notice to interested suppliers that it intends to conduct a 2009 Amite South Request for Proposals for Long-Term Supply Side Resources ("2009 Amite South RFP" or "RFP"). The Entergy System needs capacity in the Amite South region ("Amite South"), including the southeast portion of the Amite South region ("Downstream of Gypsy" or "DSG"), to meet long-term System reliability needs, provide flexible capability for the System, and support regional reliability. Therefore, the purpose of the RFP is to solicit resources within Amite South and to market test the self-build alternative identified for Amite South ("Amite South Self-Build Alternative") in the Entergy Electric System Strategic Supply Resource Plan published June 2008.<sup>1</sup> The Amite South Self-Build Alternative is planned to be located within DSG, and has an anticipated Commercial Operation Date ("COD") of 2013.

ESI requests that all proposals submitted in response to the RFP support an anticipated delivery date of 2013. It is important to note that ESI is currently in the process of carrying out the System wide Summer 2008 Request for Proposals for Limited-Term and Long-Term Supply Side Resources which includes Amite South. Any long-term CCGT resource selected from that solicitation process would help meet long-term System requirements and reliability needs, and therefore potentially reduce the targeted need for this 2009 Amite South RFP. ESI currently plans to post the Draft RFP to market test the Amite South Self-Build Alternative on or about November 18, 2008 and, if approved by the LPSC, its Final RFP on or about February 2, 2009, with such postings to be made on the following website: <https://emo-web.no.entergy.com/ENTRFP/index.htm>. ESI plans to utilize Elizabeth Benson of Energy Associates as the Independent Monitor ("IM").

ESI is providing this notice to inform potential Bidders that may be interested in submitting proposals in response to the RFP that ESI will require that all proposals originate from CCGT resources, and will prefer a resource that is planned to be located within DSG. ESI expects that any additional proposals received in response to the RFP will likely originate from developmental resources. Thus, ESI is also providing this notice to provide Bidders with advance notification of the information that ESI will request from Bidders interested in submitting a proposal in response to the RFP that would originate from a developmental CCGT resource. To that end, ESI has prepared a preliminary list of questions pertaining to development status, and has made the list available concurrent with this notice via ESI's RFP Website: <https://emo-web.no.entergy.com/ENTRFP/index.htm>. Bidders interested in submitting a proposal in response to the RFP originating from a developmental CCGT resource within Amite South are encouraged to review the list and to the extent possible prepare the requested information in advance of the RFP.

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<sup>1</sup> A Summary of the Entergy Electric System Strategic Supply Resource Plan Update for the Planning Period 2008 – 2017 was published as Appendix H to ESI's Summer 2008 Request for Proposals for Limited-Term and Long-Term Supply Side Resources, and is located at: <https://emo-web.no.entergy.com/ENTRFP/index.htm>.

The Amite South Self-Build Alternative identified above is considered an alternative to any additional proposals submitted in response to the RFP, and as a result ESI plans to evaluate all proposals received in response to the RFP for their ability to support a target COD of 2013, provide the flexible capability needed to displace the operation of certain existing generating units within DSG, provide voltage support consistent with a resource proximate to the DSG load, and provide economic and operational benefits to customers within DSG. Therefore, ESI requests that Bidders interested in responding to the RFP prepare to submit long-term (10 years or greater) proposals for up to 550 MW of capacity and energy originating from an existing or developmental CCGT resource located within Amite South, and preferably within DSG. ESI prefers resources that offer the greatest degree of flexible capability, and therefore will solicit proposals for up to 550 MW of capacity and energy from CCGT resources offered through either a long-term tolling PPA or an ownership acquisition.

For development proposals, ESI will at a minimum require Bidders to have initiated the Large Generator Interconnection Procedures ("LGIP") by submitting an interconnection application and receiving confirmation of a valid interconnection request from Entergy's Independent Coordinator of Transmission ("ICT") at the time bids are due, which is tentatively set for March 2009.

For resource planning purposes, the area served by the Entergy Operating Companies is divided into four major planning regions which are determined based on characteristics of the Entergy System, including the ability to transfer power between regions as defined by the available transfer capability, the location and amount of load, and the location and amount of generation. The Amite South planning region encompasses the region of Louisiana south of the Amite Substation that is serviced by one or more of the Entergy Operating Companies and other utilities (generally from east of the Baton Rouge, Louisiana metropolitan area to the Mississippi state line and south to the Gulf of Mexico). The Southeast portion of the Amite South region is known as the Downstream of Gypsy region and generally encompasses down river of the Little Gypsy plant including metropolitan New Orleans east to the Mississippi state line and south to the Gulf of Mexico and has unique planning requirements. Due to those unique planning requirements, ESI prefers CCGT resources located within the DSG region of the Amite South planning region.