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September 12, 2011

Mr. Eddie Roberson, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 460 James Robertson Parkway Nashville, TN 37243-0505

Re: Tennessee Regulatory Authority Docket No. 11-00160

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Entergy Arkansas, Inc. Request for Authorization to Enter into Certain Financing Transactions Between December 31, 2011, and

December 31, 2012

Dear Chairman Roberson:

Attached for filing with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (TRA) are the original and four hard copies along with a compact disc containing Entergy Arkansas, Inc.'s (EAI) Application and the supporting Direct Testimony of EAI witness Steven C. McNeal filed September 9, 2011, with the Arkansas Public Service Commission (APSC) in Docket No. 11-090-U requesting authority to enter into certain financing transactions to address EAI's additional financing needs from December 31, 2011, through December 31, 2012.

When the APSC General Staff files its testimony, it will be forwarded to you. Upon issuance of the APSC order, it will also be immediately forwarded to complete EAI's request pending consideration by the TRA.

Following the issuance of the APSC order, EAI is requesting that the TRA issue an order approving or concurring with the APSC Order as expeditiously as possible which will allow EAI the authority to enter into these proposed financial transactions pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-109. The bond underwriters require individual orders issued by the APSC and the TRA granting their approval for the proposed financing transactions described in EAI's Application. The bond underwriters also require that the 60-day period following the issuance of the TRA Order be completed prior to EAI entering into these proposed financial transactions described in its Application. Therefore, EAI requests that the TRA act to consider this request and issue an order no later than October 31, 2011 to allow for the 60-day period to be completed by December 31, 2011.

Attached is a check in the amount of \$25.00 for EAI's filing fee.

Mr. Eddie Roberson Page 2 September 12, 2011

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to call me at (501) 377-4457 or Mr. David Hunt at (501) 377-4338.

Sincerely,

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ARKANSAS, INC. FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CERTAIN FINANCING TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND DECE	O ENTER INTO
DOCKET DESIGNATOR: U	P RELATED DOCKETS: 09-068-U
Nature of Action: (See second sheet) PETITIONER/INITIATING PARTY*	ATTORNEYS' NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, FAX AND E-MAIL
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72203, Telephone: (501) 377-4457, Fax: (501)	airs, Entergy Arkansas, Inc., P. O. Box 551, Little Rock, Arkansas 377-4415, sstrick@entergy.com, and Paul Benham, Friday, Eldredge 2000, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201, Telephone: (501) 370-1517, Fax:
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Representing: Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

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	CCN License		Resource Plan
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BEFORE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. FOR)	
AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO)	DOCKET NO. 11-090-U
CERTAIN FINANCING TRANSACTIONS)	
BETWEEN DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND)	
DECEMBER 31, 2012)	

<u>APPLICATION</u>

COMES NOW ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. ("EAI" or the "Company"), and for its Application states:

1. This Application is filed pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-3-103, et. seq. and Rules 4 and 5 of the Rules of Practice and Procedure ("RPP") of the Arkansas Public Service Commission ("APSC" or the "Commission"). EAI is subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission and is also subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC") as an electric utility subsidiary of Entergy Corporation. The Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") also regulates the issuances of securities by EAI. EAI must, therefore, comply with applicable rules and regulations promulgated by the FERC and the TRA and, as hereinafter described in greater detail, secure certain approvals of the TRA in connection with the proposed transactions described herein, in addition to those approvals it must obtain from this Commission.

- 2. EAI is a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Arkansas and is a public utility as defined by Ark. Code Ann. § 23-1-101, et. seq. The Company's principal office is located at the Metropolitan National Bank Tower, 425 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201. The Company's property consists of facilities for the generation, transmission, and distribution of electric power and energy to the public and of other property necessary to repair, maintain, and operate those facilities. These properties and facilities are located principally in the State of Arkansas. Certain distribution and transmission facilities for wholesale customers are located in the State of Missouri, and distribution lines for retail customers situated wholly on the west side of the main channel of the Mississippi River are located in a small portion of the State of Tennessee. The Company also owns a generating facility located in the State of Louisiana.
- 3. Order No. 1, entered by the Commission in Docket No. 09-068-U on September 14, 2009 ("Order No. 1"), authorized EAI, inter alia, to issue and sell, in one or more series, from time to time but not earlier than January 1, 2010, and not later than December 31, 2012, first mortgage bonds ("First Mortgage Bonds" or "Bonds") in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$800 million. One of the purposes of the issuances was to permit the Company to reduce its financing costs by refinancing higher cost securities. Because of unexpectedly favorable market conditions, the Company has been issuing First Mortgage Bonds to refinance existing Bonds at a rate faster than initially anticipated. As a

result, the Company has achieved \$7.2 million of annual interest savings, before tax.

- 4. Current economic forecasts for the Company reflect not only continued opportunities for economic refunding but also recent events affecting the economic needs of the Company. In April 2011, several thunderstorms with either tornados or straight-line winds caused damage to the Company's transmission and distribution lines, equipment, poles, and other facilities. Also in April 2011, the Company signed an asset purchase agreement to acquire the Hot Spring Energy Facility, a 620 MW natural gas-fired combined-cycle turbine plant located in Hot Spring County, Arkansas, from a subsidiary of KGen Power Corporation for approximately \$253 million, with an anticipated additional expenditure of approximately \$24 million for plant upgrades. The Company also has under construction transmission projects totaling approximately \$100 million.
- 5. The Company appears likely to approach the \$800 million limit for new First Mortgage Bonds prior to the December 31, 2012 expiration of Order No. 1. To date, the Company has issued \$575 million of First Mortgage Bonds under Order No. 1. As a result of the First Mortgage Bonds previously issued pursuant to Order No. 1, the Company has authorization remaining under Order No. 1 to issue only an additional aggregate amount of \$225 million in First Mortgage Bonds through December 31, 2012.

- 6. Therefore, in addition to the need to manage cash resources in view of events such as those described in paragraph 4 above, an opportunity exists for EAI to continue to reduce its interest expenses, if the Company is granted authority on an expedited basis to issue additional long-term debt as described below. The Company has outstanding \$115 million First Mortgage Bonds, 5% Series due July 1, 2018, and \$60 million First Mortgage Bonds, 6.38% Series due November 1, 2034, which are currently callable. Due to continuing, favorable market conditions, the Company believes that some or all of these Bonds may be refinanced on favorable terms at a lower net financing cost. Other Entergy Operating Companies¹ have recently issued first mortgage bonds with rates and terms ranging from 3.25 percent for 5 years to 6 percent for 40 years. The most recent issuance resulted in a 4.1 percent rate for 10 years.
- 7. In addition to the remaining authorization for \$225 million of First Mortgage Bonds, the Company's forecasts indicate it will need authority to issue an additional \$600 million of long-term debt in the form of First Mortgage Bonds, as well as debentures ("Debentures"), loan agreements, credit facilities and other like instruments, both secured and unsecured ("Long-Term Debt").
- 8. Accordingly, and pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 23-3-104, the Company hereby applies to the Commission for an order authorizing it from time

¹ The Entergy Operating Companies include EAI; Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C.; Entergy Louisiana, LLC; Entergy Mississippi, Inc.; Entergy New Orleans, Inc.; and Entergy Texas, Inc.

to time not later than December 31, 2012, to issue and sell or enter into arrangements for, as appropriate, Long-Term Debt in such principal amounts as the Company may elect, which amounts, in the aggregate, shall not exceed the sum of \$600 million, which amount is in addition to any amounts of First Mortgage Bonds, Preferred Stock, Common Stock and Tax-Exempt Bonds previously authorized to be issued and sold pursuant to Order No. 1. This application is not requesting any increases to the existing levels of financing authority relating to Preferred Stock, Common Stock, or Tax-Exempt Bonds. The Long-Term Debt will be due not less than one year nor more than 60 years after the respective dates of issuance.

I. FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

- 9. Each series of Bonds will be sold at such price, will bear interest at such rate (which may be an adjustable rate), and will mature on such date as will be determined at the time of sale. The Company anticipates that the issuance and sale of each series of Bonds will be by means of competitive bidding or a negotiated public offering or private placement with institutional investors in order to secure the advantage of an advanced marketing effort and the best available terms. Because the market for Bonds is constantly fluctuating, it is not possible to forecast the precise interest rate for any series of Bonds at this time.
- 10. Each series of Bonds is to be issued as a new series of First Mortgage Bonds under the Company's Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated as of

October 1, 1944, to Guaranty Trust Company of New York (Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, successor) and Marvin A. Mueller (The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, successor), Co-Trustee, as to certain Missouri property, as Trustees, as heretofore supplemented and as proposed to be further supplemented by additional supplemental indentures thereto (the "Mortgage"). A copy of the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, has previously been filed with the Commission. A copy of the proposed form of supplemental indenture relating to each new series of Bonds is attached hereto as <u>EAI Exhibit A</u>.

11. The Mortgage constitutes a first mortgage lien on all of the properties presently owned by the Company (except as stated below), subject to (a) leases of minor portions of the Company's property to others for uses which do not interfere with the conduct of the Company's business, (b) leases of certain Company property not used in its electric utility business, and (c) excepted encumbrances. There are excepted from the lien of the Mortgage all cash and securities; certain equipment, fuel, materials or supplies, timber, minerals, mineral rights, and royalties; receivables, contracts, leases, and operating agreements; and certain unimproved lands sold or to be sold. The Mortgage contains provisions for encumbering after-acquired property by the lien thereof, subject to limitation in the case of consolidation, merger, or sale of substantially all of the Company's assets.

- 12. The Mortgage provides that each new series of First Mortgage Bonds may be subject to annual sinking or improvement fund payments. The Company is not obligated to make annual payments into sinking or improvement with respect to its outstanding First Mortgage Bonds and does not intend to issue any new series of First Mortgage Bonds which will be subject to such requirements.
- 13. The aggregate amount of First Mortgage Bonds which was issued and outstanding under the Mortgage as of July 31, 2011, was approximately \$1,325 million (not including \$101.4 million of Collateral Bonds, as defined in Order No. 1), all of which are secured by the lien of the Mortgage.

II. OTHER LONG-TERM DEBT

14. Debentures, if any, will be issued with like terms and conditions as those described for Bonds in paragraph 9 above. Loan agreements, credit facilities and other like instruments, in each case, where the borrowings issued thereunder may be outstanding for periods in excess of one year, will be entered into with various commercial banks, on both secured and unsecured bases. EAI may agree to pay to each lending bank (a) a commitment, facility, or similar fee that will be (i) a fixed dollar amount, and/or (ii) a percentage of the total commitment or unused commitment, and (b) one time closing fees consisting of up-front fees, arrangement fees, administrative agency fees, and/or similar closing fees. The fees will be negotiated at the time of the arrangement and will

be comparable to fees in the applicable market for borrowing arrangements with similar features and terms and conditions to borrowers of comparable credit quality. The terms and conditions of such facilities will be consistent with those obtained by companies of comparable credit quality for like facilities.

- 15. The net proceeds that EAI will receive from the issuance and sale of First Mortgage Bonds and other Long-Term Debt will be used to provide funds to repay maturing debt, to provide funds for the redemption or retirement of the Company's outstanding First Mortgage Bonds prior to the maturity thereof, to provide funds for capital investments, to manage the Company's liquidity and working capital requirements, to finance unanticipated events such as emergency restoration, and for other corporate purposes.
- 16. The Company's Application, together with the financing plan proposed herein, was approved by the Company's Board of Directors by unanimous written consent effective as of August 23, 2011. Excerpts from the consent setting forth the resolutions approving the Application and the financing plan are attached hereto as <u>EAI Exhibit B</u>.
- 17. EAI estimates its aggregate expenses in connection with the issuance and sale of the Long-Term Debt which is the subject of this Application will be as reflected in EAI Exhibit C attached hereto.

- 18. The Company states that after the issuance of the Long-Term Debt, the aggregate amount of all its outstanding stock, bonds, notes and other evidences of indebtedness will not exceed the fair value of the Company's properties and the reasonable cost of the issuance and sale of the Long-Term Debt.
 - 19. Attached hereto is EAI Exhibit D, consisting of the following:
 - (a) Balance Sheet per books as of June 30, 2011, and Pro Forma after giving effect to the proposed transactions;
 - (b) Earnings Statement for the 12 months ended June 30, 2011, per books, and Pro Forma after giving effect to the proposed transactions; and
 - (c) Detail of Long-term Debt as of June 30, 2011, and Pro Forma after giving effect to the proposed transactions.
- 20. In order to take advantage of favorable capital market conditions, it is essential that EAI be able to proceed with the authority requested herein when presented with opportunities to enhance its financial flexibility and/or reduce its capital costs. EAI's financing transactions described herein must also be approved by the TRA which usually will not act on EAI's Application filed with the TRA until the APSC has approved this Application. A final order from the TRA approving EAI's Application would not become effective until 60 days after

issuance. Therefore, EAI requests that the Commission consider and act on this Application expeditiously and enter an order on or before October 1, 2011.

21. EAI requests that the following individuals be shown on the service list of this Docket:

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WHEREFORE, ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. respectfully requests that the Commission enter an order on or before October 1, 2011, authorizing the Company to issue and sell in one or more series, from time to time not earlier than December 31, 2011, and not later than December 31, 2012, Long-Term Debt in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$600 million, which amount is in addition to any amounts of such Bonds already authorized to be issued and sold pursuant to Order No. 1 in Docket No. 09-068-U, to provide funds to repay maturing debt, to provide funds for the redemption or retirement of the Company's outstanding First Mortgage Bonds prior to the maturity thereof, to

provide funds for capital investments, to finance unanticipated events such as emergency restoration, and for other corporate purposes; authorizing the Company to take all other action and to enter into all other agreements necessary therefore; and granting the Company all other proper relief.

Dated this 9th day of September, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

By /s/ Paul Benham
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ATTORNEYS FOR ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Paul Benham, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon all parties of record by forwarding the same by electronic mail and/or first class mail, postage prepaid, this 9th day of September 2011.

/s/ Paul Benham
Paul Benham

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. FOR)	
AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO)	DOCKET NO. 11-090-U
CERTAIN FINANCING TRANSACTIONS)	
BETWEEN DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND)	
DECEMBER 31, 2012)	

EAI EXHIBIT A

FORM OF SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

TO

DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS

(successor to Guaranty Trust Company of New York)

AND

(as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri)

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

(successor to Marvin A. Mueller)

As Trustees under En	tergy Arkansas, In Dated as of Octol	0 0	Deed of Trust,
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	Dated as of	, 20	

_____SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

INDENTURE, dated as of , 20 , between ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC., a corporation of the State of Arkansas, whose post office address is 425 West Capitol, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 (hereinafter sometimes called the "Company"), and DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS (successor to Guaranty Trust Company of New York), a New York banking corporation, whose post office address is 60 Wall Street, MS NYC 60-2710, New York, New York 10005 (hereinafter sometimes called the "Corporate Trustee"), and (as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri) THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (successor to Marvin A. Mueller), whose mailing address is 10161 Centurion Parkway, Jacksonville, Florida 32256 (said The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association being hereinafter sometimes called the "Missouri Co-Trustee" and the Corporate Trustee and the Missouri Co-Trustee being hereinafter together sometimes called the "Trustees"), as Trustees under the Mortgage and Deed of Trust, dated as of October 1, 1944 (hereinafter sometimes called the "Mortgage"), which Mortgage was executed and delivered by the Company to secure the payment of bonds issued or to be issued under and in accordance with the provisions of the Mortgage, reference to which Mortgage is hereby made, this indenture (hereinafter called the Supplemental Indenture") being supplemental thereto.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage has been appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, an instrument, dated as of July 7, 1949, was executed by the Company appointing Herbert E. Twyeffort as Co-Trustee in succession to Henry A. Theis (resigned) under the Mortgage, and by Herbert E. Twyeffort accepting said appointment, and said instrument has been appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, an instrument, dated as of March 1, 1960, was executed by the Company appointing Grainger S. Greene as Co-Trustee in succession to Herbert E. Twyeffort (resigned) under the Mortgage, and by Grainger S. Greene accepting said appointment, and said instrument has been appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, by the Twenty-first Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, the Company, among other things, appointed John W. Flaherty as Co-Trustee in succession to Grainger S. Greene (resigned) under the Mortgage, and John W. Flaherty accepted said appointment; and

WHEREAS, by the Thirty-third Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, the Company, among other things, appointed Marvin A. Mueller as Missouri Co-Trustee under the Mortgage, and Marvin A. Mueller accepted said appointment; and

WHEREAS, by the Thirty-fifth Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, the Company, among other things, appointed The Boatmen's National Bank of St. Louis as Missouri Co-Trustee in succession to Marvin A. Mueller (resigned) under the Mortgage, and The Boatmen's National Bank of St. Louis accepted said appointment; and

WHEREAS, an instrument, dated as of September 1, 1994, was executed by the Company appointing Bankers Trust Company as Trustee, and Stanley Burg as Co-Trustee, in succession to Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York (resigned) and John W. Flaherty (resigned), respectively, under the Mortgage and Bankers Trust Company and Stanley Burg accepted said appointments, and said instrument was appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the States of Arkansas, Missouri, Tennessee and Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, by the Fifty-fifth Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, the Company, among other things, appointed Peter D. Van Cleve as Missouri Co-Trustee in succession to The Boatmen's National Bank of St. Louis (resigned) under the Mortgage, and Peter D. Van Cleve accepted said appointment; and

WHEREAS, by an instrument, dated as of May 31, 2000, the Company appointed BNY Trust Company of Missouri as Missouri Co-Trustee in succession to Peter D. Van Cleve (resigned) under the Mortgage, and BNY Trust Company of Missouri accepted said appointment, and said instrument was appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the State of Missouri; and

WHEREAS, by an instrument, dated as of April 15, 2002, filed with the Banking Department of the State of New York, Bankers Trust Company, Trustee, effected a corporate name change pursuant to which, effective such date, it is known as Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas; and

WHEREAS, by an instrument dated November 1, 2004, filed with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency in Colorado, BNY Trust Company of Missouri merged into BNY Missouri Interim Trust Company, National Association, and by an instrument dated November 1, 2004, filed with the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency in Colorado, BNY Missouri Interim Trust Company, National Association, merged into The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association; and

WHEREAS, by the Sixty-third Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, the Company, the Corporate Trustee, Stanley Burg as Co-Trustee, and The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association, as Missouri Co-Trustee, appointed Jeffrey Schroeder to serve as Missouri Co-Trustee under the Mortgage, and Jeffrey Schroeder accepted such appointment; and

WHEREAS, by an instrument effective as of February 28, 2005, Jeffrey Schroeder resigned as a Missouri Co-Trustee; and

WHEREAS, effective July 1, 2008, The Bank of New York Trust Company, National Association changed its name to The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association; and

WHEREAS, by the Sixty-ninth Supplemental Indenture mentioned below, effective as of October 1, 2010, Stanley Burg resigned as Co-Trustee; and

WHEREAS, by the Mortgage the Company covenanted that it would execute and deliver such supplemental indenture or indentures and such further instruments and do such further acts as might be necessary or proper to carry out more effectually the purposes of the Mortgage and to make subject to the lien of the Mortgage any property thereafter acquired and intended to be subject to the lien thereof; and

WHEREAS, the Company executed and delivered to the Trustees the following supplemental indentures:

<u>Designation</u>	Dated as of
First Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 1947
Second Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1948
Third Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 1949
Fourth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 1950
Fifth Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 1951
Sixth Supplemental Indenture	September 1, 1952
Seventh Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 1953
Eighth Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1954
Ninth Supplemental Indenture	April 1, 1955
Tenth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1959
Eleventh Supplemental Indenture	May 1, 1961
Twelfth Supplemental Indenture	February 1, 1963
Thirteenth Supplemental Indenture	April 1, 1965
Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 1966
Fifteenth Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 1967
Sixteenth Supplemental Indenture	April 1, 1968
Seventeenth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 1968
Eighteenth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1969
Nineteenth Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1970
Twentieth Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 1971
Twenty-first Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1971
Twenty-second Supplemental Indenture	April 1, 1972

Twenty-third Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1972
Twenty-fourth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 1973
Twenty-fifth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1973
Twenty-sixth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 1974
Twenty-seventh Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 1974
Twenty-eighth Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 1975
Twenty-ninth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1977
Thirtieth Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 1978
Thirty-first Supplemental Indenture	February 1, 1979
Thirty-second Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1980
Thirty-third Supplemental Indenture	January 1, 1981
Thirty-fourth Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1981
Thirty-fifth Supplemental Indenture	February 1, 1982
Thirty-sixth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1982
Thirty-seventh Supplemental Indenture	February 1, 1983
Thirty-eighth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1984
Thirty-ninth Supplemental Indenture	December 1, 1985
Fortieth Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 1986
Forty-first Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 1989
Forty-second Supplemental Indenture.	February 1, 1990
Forty-third Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 1990
Forty-fourth Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 1990
Forty-fifth Supplemental Indenture	January 1, 1991
Forty-sixth Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1992
Forty-seventh Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 1992
Forty-eighth Supplemental Indenture	June 15, 1993
Forty-ninth Supplemental Indenture	August 1, 1993
Fiftieth Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 1993
Fifty-first Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 1993
Fifty-second Supplemental Indenture	June 15, 1994
Fifty-third Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 1996
Fifty-fourth Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 1997
Fifty-fifth Supplemental Indenture.	March 1, 2000
Fifty-sixth Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 2001
Fifty-seventh Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 2002
Fifty-eighth Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 2002
Fifty-ninth Supplemental Indenture	May 1, 2003
Sixtieth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 2003
Sixty-first Supplemental Indenture	June 15, 2003
Sixty-second Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 2004
Sixty-third Supplemental Indenture	January 1, 2005
Sixty-fourth Supplemental Indenture	March 1, 2005
Sixty-fifth Supplemental Indenture	May 1, 2005

Sixty-sixth Supplemental Indenture	June 1, 2006
Sixty-seventh Supplemental Indenture	July 1, 2008
Sixty-eighth Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 2008
Sixty-ninth Supplemental Indenture	October 1, 2010
Seventieth Supplemental Indenture	November 1, 2010

which supplemental indentures were appropriately filed or recorded in various official records in the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Tennessee and Wyoming, as applicable; and

WHEREAS, the Company has heretofore issued, in accordance with the provisions of the Mortgage, as supplemented, the following series of First Mortgage Bonds:

<u>Series</u>	Principal	Principal
	Amount	Amount
	<u>Issued</u>	Outstanding
3 1/8% Series due 1974	\$30,000,000	None
2 7/8% Series due 1977	11,000,000	None
3 1/8% Series due 1978	7,500,000	None
2 7/8% Series due 1979	8,700,000	None
2 7/8% Series due 1980	6,000,000	None
3 5/8% Series due 1981	8,000,000	None
3 1/2% Series due 1982	15,000,000	None
4 1/4% Series due 1983	18,000,000	None
3 1/4% Series due 1984	7,500,000	None
3 3/8% Series due 1985	18,000,000	None
5 5/8% Series due 1989	15,000,000	None
4 7/8% Series due 1991	12,000,000	None
4 3/8% Series due 1993	15,000,000	None
4 5/8% Series due 1995	25,000,000	None
5 3/4% Series due 1996	25,000,000	None
5 7/8% Series due 1997	30,000,000	None
7 3/8% Series due 1998	15,000,000	None
9 1/4% Series due 1999	25,000,000	None
9 5/8% Series due 2000	25,000,000	None
7 5/8% Series due 2001	30,000,000	None
8 % Series due August 1, 2001	30,000,000	None
7 3/4% Series due 2002	35,000,000	None
7 1/2% Series due December 1, 2002	15,000,000	None
8 % Series due 2003	40,000,000	None
8 1/8% Series due December 1, 2003	40,000,000	None

10 1/2% Series due 2004	40,000,000	None
9 1/4% Series due November 1, 1981	60,000,000	None
10 1/8% Series due July 1, 2005	40,000,000	
9 1/8% Series due December 1, 2007	75,000,000	None
9 7/8% Series due December 1, 2007	75,000,000	None
10 1/4% Series due February 1, 2009	60,000,000	None
16 1/8% Series due December 1, 1986	70,000,000	None
4 1/2% Series due September 1, 1983	1,202,000	None
5 1/2% Series due January 1, 1988	598,310	None
5 5/8% Series due May 1, 1990	1,400,000	None
6 1/4% Series due December 1, 1996	3,560,000	None
9 3/4% Series due September 1, 2000	4,600,000	None
8 3/4% Series due March 1, 1998	9,800,000	None
17 3/8% Series due August 1, 1988	75,000,000	None
16 1/2% Series due February 1, 1991	80,000,000	None
13 3/8% Series due December 1, 2012	75,000,000	None
13 1/4% Series due February 1, 2013	25,000,000	None
14 1/8% Series due December 1, 2014	100,000,000	None
Pollution Control Series A	128,800,000	None
10 1/4% Series due July 1, 2016	50,000,000	None
9 3/4% Series due July 1, 2019	75,000,000	None
10% Series due February 1, 2020	150,000,000	None
10 3/8% Series due October 1, 2020	175,000,000	None
Solid Waste Disposal Series A	21,066,667	None
Solid Waste Disposal Series B	28,440,000	None
7 1/204 Series due August 1, 2007	100,000,000	None
7 1/2% Series due August 1, 2007	25,000,000	None
8.70% Series due November 1, 2022	25,000,000	None
Pollution Control Series B	46,875,000	None
	115,000,000	None
6.65% Series due August 1, 2005	155,000,000	None
7 % Series due October 1, 2003	175,000,000	None
Pollution Control Series C	20,319,000	None
Pollution Control Series D		None
	9,586,400	
8 3/4% Series due March 1, 2026	85,000,000 85,000,000	None None
7.72 % Series due March 1, 2003	100,000,000	None None
	100,000,000	
6.70% Series due April 1, 2032		None
6.00% Series due November 1, 2032	100,000,000	None
5.40% Series due May 1, 2018	150,000,000	None
5.90% Series due June 1, 2033	100,000,000	100,000,000
5% Series due July 1, 2018	115,000,000	115,000,000

6.38% Series due November 1, 2034	60,000,000	60,000,000
5.66% Series due February 1, 2025	175,000,000	175,000,000
5% Pollution Control Series E	45,000,000	45,000,000
4.50% Series due June 1, 2010	100,000,000	None
Pollution Control Series F	56,378,000	56,378,000
5.40% Series due August 1, 2013	300,000,000	300,000,000
5.75% Series due November 1, 2040	225,000,000	225,000,000
3.75% Series due February 15, 2021	350,000,000	350,000,000

which bonds are also hereinafter sometimes called bonds of the First through Seventy-sixth Series, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the Mortgage provides that the form of each series of bonds (other than the First Series) issued thereunder and of the coupons to be attached to coupon bonds of such series shall be established by Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Company and that the form of such series, as established by said Board of Directors, shall specify the descriptive title of the bonds and various other terms thereof, and may also contain such provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of the Mortgage as the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, cause to be inserted therein expressing or referring to the terms and conditions upon which such bonds are to be issued and/or secured under the Mortgage; and

WHEREAS, Section 120 of the Mortgage provides, among other things, that any power, privilege or right expressly or impliedly reserved to or in any way conferred upon the Company by any provision of the Mortgage, whether such power, privilege or right is in any way restricted or is unrestricted, may be in whole or in part waived or surrendered or subjected to any restriction if at the time unrestricted or to additional restriction if already restricted, and the Company may enter into any further covenants, limitations or restrictions for the benefit of any one or more series of bonds issued thereunder, or the Company may cure any ambiguity contained therein or in any supplemental indenture, or may establish the terms and provisions of any series of bonds other than said First Series, by an instrument in writing executed and acknowledged by the Company in such manner as would be necessary to entitle a conveyance of real estate to record in all of the states in which any property at the time subject to the lien of the Mortgage shall be situated; and

WHEREAS, the Company now desires to create a new series of bonds,
hereinafter referred to as bonds of the Series, unless the context otherwise
requires, and (pursuant to the provisions of Section 120 of the Mortgage) to add to its
covenants and agreements contained in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, certain
other covenants and agreements to be observed by it and to alter and amend in certain
respects the covenants and provisions contained in the Mortgage, as heretofore
supplemented; and
WHEREAS, the execution and delivery by the Company of this
Supplemental Indenture, and the terms of the bonds of the Series, have been duly

authorized by the Board of Directors of the Company by appropriate Resolutions of said Board of Directors.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH:

That the Company, in consideration of the premises and of One Dollar to it duly paid by the Trustees at or before the ensealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and in further evidence of assurance of the estate, title and rights of the Trustees and in order further to secure the payment of both the principal of and interest and premium, if any, on the bonds from time to time issued under the Mortgage, according to their tenor and effect and the performance of all the provisions of the Mortgage (including any instruments supplemental thereto and any modifications made as in the Mortgage provided) and of said bonds, hereby grants, bargains, sells, releases, conveys, assigns, transfers, mortgages, hypothecates, affects, pledges, sets over and confirms (subject, however, to Excepted Encumbrances as defined in Section 6 of the Mortgage) unto The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri) and (to the extent of its legal capacity to hold the same for the purposes hereof) to Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustees under the Mortgage, and to their successor or successors in said trust, and to them and their successors and assigns forever, all property, real, personal or mixed, of any kind or nature acquired by the Company after the date of the execution and delivery of the Mortgage (except any herein or in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, expressly excepted), now owned or, subject to the provisions of Section 87 of the Mortgage, hereafter acquired by the Company (by purchase, consolidation, merger, donation, construction, erection or in any other way) and wheresoever situated, including (without in anywise limiting or impairing by the enumeration of the same the scope and intent of the foregoing or of any general description contained in this Supplemental Indenture) all lands, power sites, flowage rights, water rights, water locations, water appropriations, ditches, flumes, reservoirs, reservoir sites, canals, raceways, dams, dam sites, aqueducts, and all other rights or means for appropriating, conveying, storing and supplying water; all rights of way and roads; all plants for the generation of electricity by steam, water and/or other power; all power houses, gas plants, street lighting systems, standards and other equipment incidental thereto; all street and interurban railway and transportation lines and systems, terminal systems and facilities; all bridges, culverts, tracks, railways, sidings, spurs, wyes, roadbeds, trestles and viaducts; all overground and underground trolleys and feeder wires; all telephone, radio and television systems, air-conditioning systems and equipment incidental thereto, water works, water systems, steam heat and hot water plants, substations, lines, service and supply systems, ice or refrigeration plants and equipment, offices, buildings and other structures and the equipment thereof, all machinery, engines, boilers, dynamos, electric, gas and other machines, regulators, meters, transformers, generators, motors, electrical, gas and mechanical appliances, conduits, cables, water, steam heat, gas or other pipes, gas mains and pipes, service pipes, fittings, valves and connections, pole and transmission lines, wires, cables, tools, implements, apparatus, furniture and chattels; all municipal and other franchises,

consents or permits; all lines for the transmission and distribution of electric current, gas, steam heat or water for any purpose including towers, poles, wires, cables, pipes, conduits, ducts and all apparatus for use in connection therewith; all real estate, lands, easements, servitudes, licenses, permits, franchises, privileges, rights of way and other rights in or relating to real estate or the occupancy of the same and (except as herein or in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, expressly excepted) all the right, title and interest of the Company in and to all other property of any kind or nature appertaining to and/or used and/or occupied and/or enjoyed in connection with any property hereinbefore or in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, described.

TOGETHER WITH all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, prescriptions, servitudes and appurtenances belonging or in anywise appertaining to the aforesaid property or any part thereof, with the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders and (subject to the provisions of Section 57 of the Mortgage) the tolls, rents, revenues, issues, earnings, income, product and profits thereof and all the estate, right, title and interest and claim whatsoever, at law as well as in equity, which the Company now has or may hereafter acquire in and to the aforesaid property and franchises and every part and parcel thereof.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED by the Company that, subject to the provisions of Section 87 of the Mortgage, all the property, rights and franchises acquired by the Company (by purchase, consolidation, merger, donation, construction, erection or in any other way) after the date hereof, except any herein or in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, expressly excepted, shall be and are as fully granted and conveyed hereby and by the Mortgage and as fully embraced within the lien hereof and the lien of the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, as if such property, rights and franchises were now owned by the Company and were specifically described herein or in the Mortgage and conveyed hereby or thereby.

PROVIDED THAT the following are not and are not intended to be now or hereafter granted, bargained, sold, released, conveyed, assigned, transferred, mortgaged, hypothecated, affected, pledged, set over or confirmed hereunder and are hereby expressly excepted from the lien and operation of this ___ _____ Supplemental Indenture and from the lien and operation of the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, viz: (1) cash, shares of stock, bonds, notes and other obligations and other securities not hereafter specifically pledged, paid, deposited, delivered or held under the Mortgage or covenanted so to be; (2) merchandise, equipment, materials or supplies held for the purpose of sale in the usual course of business or for the purpose of repairing or replacing (in whole or in part) any street cars, rolling stock, trolley coaches, motor coaches, buses, automobiles or other vehicles or aircraft, and fuel, oil and similar materials and supplies consumable in the operation of any properties of the Company; street cars, rolling stock, trolley coaches, motor coaches, buses, automobiles and other vehicles and all aircraft; (3) bills, notes and accounts receivable, judgments, demands and choses in action, and all contracts, leases and operating agreements not specifically pledged under the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, or covenanted so to be; the Company's contractual rights or other interest in or with respect to tires not owned by the Company; (4) the last day of the term of any lease or leasehold which may hereafter become subject to the lien of the Mortgage; (5) electric energy, gas, ice, and other materials or products generated, manufactured, produced or purchased by the Company for sale, distribution or use in the ordinary course of its business; all timber, minerals, mineral rights and royalties; (6) the Company's franchise to be a corporation; (7) the properties heretofore sold or in the process of being sold by the Company and heretofore released from the Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated as of October 1, 1926 from Arkansas Power & Light Company to Guaranty Trust Company of New York, trustee, and specifically described in a release instrument executed by Guaranty Trust Company of New York, as trustee, dated October 13, 1938, which release has heretofore been delivered by the said trustee to the Company and recorded by the Company in the office of the Recorder for Garland County, Arkansas, in Record Book 227, Page 1, all of said properties being located in Garland County, Arkansas; and (8) any property heretofore released pursuant to any provisions of the Mortgage and not heretofore disposed of by the Company; provided, however, that the property and rights expressly excepted from the lien and operation of the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, and this _____ Supplemental Indenture in the above subdivisions (2) and (3) shall (to the extent permitted by law) cease to be so excepted in the event and as of the date that any or all of the Trustees or a receiver or trustee shall enter upon and take possession of the Mortgaged and Pledged Property in the manner provided in Article XIII of the Mortgage by reason of the occurrence of a Default as defined in Section 65 thereof.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all such properties, real, personal and mixed, granted, bargained, sold, released, conveyed, assigned, transferred, mortgaged, hypothecated, affected, pledged, set over or confirmed by the Company as aforesaid, or intended so to be, unto The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri), and (to the extent of its legal capacity to hold the same for the purposes hereof) unto Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustees, and their successors and assigns forever.

IN TRUST NEVERTHELESS, for the same purposes and upon the same terms, trusts and conditions and subject to and with the same provisos and covenants as are set forth in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, this ______ Supplemental Indenture being supplemental to the Mortgage.

AND IT IS HEREBY COVENANTED by the Company that all the terms, conditions, provisos, covenants and provisions contained in the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, shall affect and apply to the property hereinbefore described and conveyed and to the estate, rights, obligations and duties of the Company and Trustees and the beneficiaries of the trust with respect to said property, and to the Trustees and their successors in the trust in the same manner and with the same effect as if said property had been owned by the Company at the time of the execution of the Mortgage, and had been specifically and at length described in and conveyed to said Trustees, by the Mortgage as a part of the property therein stated to be conveyed.

The Company further covenants and agrees to and with the Trustees and their successors in said trust under the Mortgage, as follows:

SERIES OF BONDS
SECTION 1. There shall be a series of bonds designated "
Interest on the bonds of the Series will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. In any case where any Interest Payment Date, redemption date or maturity of any bond of the Series shall not be a Business Day, then payment of interest or principal need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day, with the same force and effect, and in the same amount, as if made on the corresponding Interest Payment Date or redemption date, or at maturity, as the case may be, and, if such payment is made or duly provided for on such Business Day, no interest shall accrue on the amount so payable for the period from and after such Interest Payment Date, redemption date or maturity, as the case may be, to such Business Day. "Business Day" means any day, other than a Saturday or a Sunday, or a day on which banking institutions in The City of New York are authorized or required by law or executive order to remain closed or a day on which the corporate trust office of the Corporate Trustee is closed for business.
So long as all of the bonds of the Series are held by The Depository Trust Company or its nominee, or a successor thereof, the record date for the payment of interest on the bonds of the Series shall be the Business Day immediately preceding the corresponding Interest Payment Date; provided, however, that the record date for the payment of interest which is paid after such Interest Payment Date,

shall be the Business Day immedia	tely preceding the date on which such interest is paid
Interest on the bonds of the	Series shall be paid to the Person in whose
name such bonds of the	Series are registered at the close of business or
the record date for the corresponding	g Interest Payment Date.
(I) Form of Bonds of the	Series.
The Bonds of the	Series, and the Corporate Trustee's authentication
certificate to be executed on the	Bonds of the Series, shall be in
substantially the following forms, re	espectively:

[FORM OF FACE OF BOND OF THE _____ SERIES]

[depository legend]

Unless this Certificate is presented by an authorized representative of The Depository Trust Company, a New York corporation ("DTC"), to the Company or its agent for registration of transfer, exchange, or payment, and any certificate issued is registered in the name of Cede & Co. or in such other name as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC (and any payment is made to Cede & Co. or to such other entity as is requested by an authorized representative of DTC), ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE, OR OTHER USE HEREOF FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL inasmuch as the registered owner hereof, Cede & Co., has an interest herein.

(TEMPORARY REGISTERED BOND)

No. TR \$	CUSIP
*	ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. FIRST MORTGAGE BOND,% SERIES DUE, 20
the Company), registered assign	KANSAS, INC., a corporation of the State of Arkansas (hereinafter called for value received, hereby promises to pay toor as, on, 20 at the office or agency of the Company in Manhattan, The City of New York,
	DOLLARS
legal tender for interest thereon	currency of the United States of America as at the time of payment is public and private debts, and to pay to the registered owner hereof from, 20, if the date of this bond is prior to 0, or if the date of this bond is on or after, 20, from _or next preceding the date of this bond to which interest has so the date hereof is an interest payment date to which interest has been ase from the date hereof), at the rate of, per annum in like coin or doffice or agency on and, of each year,, 20, until the principal of this bond shall have become due to pay interest on any overdue principal and (to the extent that payment is enforceable under the applicable law) on any overdue installment of the of 6% per annum. So long as this bond is held by The Depository or its nominee, or a successor thereof, the record date for the payment of shall be the Business Day (as defined in the Supplemental and to below) immediately preceding the date on which interest is due; ter, that the record date for the payment of interest which is paid after the interest is due, shall be the Business Day immediately preceding the arch interest is paid. Interest hereon shall be paid to the Person in whose is registered at the close of business on the record date for the payment of any interest payment date for this bond falls on a day that is not a new payment of interest will be made on the next succeeding Business Day, on such payment shall accrue for the period from and after such interest fithe maturity date or any redemption date of this bond falls on a day that is Day, the payment of principal and interest (to the extent payable with incipal being redeemed if on a redemption date) will be made on the next ness Day, and no interest on such payment shall accrue for the period maturity date or such redemption date.
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bonds of all series issued and to be issued under and equally secured (except insofar as any sinking or other fund, established in accordance with the provisions of the Mortgage hereinafter mentioned, may afford additional security for the bonds of any particular series) by a Mortgage and Deed of Trust (herein, together with any indenture supplemental thereto, including the ______ Supplemental Indenture dated as of __, 20__, called the Mortgage), dated as of October 1, 1944, executed by the Company to Guaranty Trust Company of New York (Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, successor) and, as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri, Marvin A. Mueller (The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association, successor), as Trustees. Reference is made to the Mortgage for a description of the property mortgaged and pledged, the nature and extent of the security, the rights of the holders of the bonds and of the Trustees in respect thereof, the duties and immunities of the Trustees and the terms and conditions upon which the bonds are and are to be secured and the circumstances under which additional bonds may be issued. With the consent of the Company and to the extent permitted by and as provided in the Mortgage, the rights and obligations of the Company and/or the rights of the holders of the bonds and/or coupons and/or the terms and provisions of the Mortgage may be modified or altered by such affirmative vote or votes of the holders of bonds then outstanding as are specified in the Mortgage.

The principal hereof may be declared or may become due prior to the maturity date hereinbefore named on the conditions, in the manner and at the time set forth in the Mortgage, upon the occurrence of a default as in the Mortgage provided.

In the manner prescribed in the Mortgage, this bond is transferable by the registered owner hereof in person, or by his duly authorized attorney, at the office or agency of the Company in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, upon surrender and cancellation of this bond, together with a written instrument of transfer duly executed by the registered owner or by his duly authorized attorney, and thereupon a new fully registered temporary or definitive bond of the same series for a like principal amount will be issued to the transferee in exchange herefor as provided in the Mortgage. The Company and the Trustees may deem and treat the person in whose name this bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for the purpose of receiving payment and for all other purposes and neither the Company nor the Trustees shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

In the manner prescribed in the Mortgage, any bonds of this series, upon surrender thereof for cancellation at the office or agency of the Company in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, are exchangeable for a like aggregate principal amount of bonds of the same series of other authorized denominations.

In the manner prescribed in the Mortgage, this temporary bond is exchangeable at the office or agency of the Company in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, without charge, for a definitive bond or bonds of the same series of a like aggregate principal amount when such definitive bonds are prepared and ready for delivery.

As provided in the Mortgage, the Company shall not be required to make transfers or exchanges of bonds of any series for a period of ten days next preceding any interest payment date for bonds of said series, or next preceding any designation of bonds of said series to be redeemed, and the Company shall not be required to make transfers or exchanges of any bonds designated in whole or in part for redemption.

The bonds of this series are subject to redemption as provided in the _______Supplemental Indenture.

No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or interest on this bond against any incorporator or any past, present or future subscriber to the capital stock, stockholder, officer or director of the Company or of any predecessor or successor corporation, as such, either directly or through the Company or any predecessor or successor corporation, under any rule of law, statute or constitution or by the enforcement of any assessment or otherwise, all such liability of incorporators, subscribers, stockholders, officers and directors being released by the holder or owner hereof by the acceptance of this bond and being likewise waived and released by the terms of the Mortgage.

This bond shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of New York.

This bond shall not become obligatory until Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, the Corporate Trustee under the Mortgage, or its successor thereunder, shall have signed the form of authentication certificate endorsed hereon.

signed in its corporate name by its Presion a facsimile thereof, and its corpora	ARKANSAS, INC. has caused this bond to be ident or one of its Vice Presidents by his signature te seal to be impressed or imprinted hereon and ssistant Secretaries, by his signature or a facsimile
	ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.
	By
Attest:	
CORPORATE TRUSTEE'S	AUTHENTICATION CERTIFICATE
This bond is one of the bonds, of the so in the within-mentioned Mortgage.	eries herein designated, described or provided for
	DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS,
	as Corporate Trustee
	ByAuthorized Officer

(II) The bonds of the Series shall [not] be redeemable at the option of
the Company, in whole or in part, upon notice, mailed not less than 30 days nor more
than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, at any time prior to the maturity date
of the bonds of the Series, at a redemption price equal to [insert prices or
mechanism for determining prices at which redeemable, and related dates]
(III) At the option of the registered owner, any bonds of the Series,
upon surrender thereof for cancellation at the office or agency of the Company in the
Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, shall be exchangeable for a like aggregate
principal amount of bonds of the same series of other authorized denominations.
Bonds of the Series shall be transferable, upon the surrender thereof for
cancellation, together with a written instrument of transfer in form approved by the
registrar duly executed by the registered owner or by his duly authorized attorney, at the
office or agency of the Company in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York.
Upon any exchange or transfer of bonds of the Series, the Company may
make a charge therefor sufficient to reimburse it for any tax or taxes or other
governmental charge, as provided in Section 12 of the Mortgage, but the Company
hereby waives any right to make a charge in addition thereto for any exchange or transfer
of bonds of said Series.
Upon the delivery of this Supplemental Indenture and upon compliance with
the applicable provisions of the Mortgage, as heretofore supplemented, there shall be an
initial issue of bonds of the Series for the aggregate principal amount of
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ARTICLE II
MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS
WISCELLANEOUS I ROVISIONS
SECTION 2. The holders of the bonds of the Series shall be
deemed to have consented and agreed that the Company may, but shall not be obligated
to, fix a record date for the purpose of determining the holders of the bonds of the
Series entitled to consent to any amendment or supplement to the
Mortgage or the waiver of any provision thereof or any act to be performed thereunder.
If a record date is fixed, those persons who were holders at such record date (or their duly
designated proxies), and only those persons, shall be entitled to consent to such
amendment, supplement or waiver or to revoke any consent previously given, whether or
not such persons continue to be holders after such record date. No such consent shall be
valid or effective for more than 90 days after such record date.
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SECTION 3. Subject to the amendments provided for in this
Supplemental Indenture, the terms defined in the Mortgage and the First through Supplemental Indentures shall, for all purposes of this
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Supplemental Indenture, have the meanings specified in the Mortgage and the First through Supplemental Indentures.
SECTION 4. The Trustees hereby accept the trusts herein declared, provided, created or supplemented and agree to perform the same upon the terms and conditions herein and in the Mortgage and in the First through Supplemental Indentures set forth and upon the following terms and conditions:
The Trustees shall not be responsible in any manner whatsoever for or in respect of the validity or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture or for or in respect of the recitals contained herein, all of which recitals are made by the Company solely. In general each and every term and condition contained in Article XVII of the Mortgage, as heretofore amended, shall apply to and form part of this Supplemental Indenture with the same force and effect as if the same were herein set forth in full with such omissions, variations and insertions, if any, as may be appropriate to make the same conform to the provisions of this Supplemental Indenture.
SECTION 5. Whenever in this Supplemental Indenture either of the parties hereto is named or referred to, this shall, subject to the provisions of Articles XVI and XVII of the Mortgage, as heretofore amended, be deemed to include the successors and assigns of such party, and all the covenants and agreements in this Supplemental Indenture contained by or on behalf of the Company, or by or on behalf of the Trustees, or any of them, shall, subject as aforesaid, bind and inure to the respective benefits of the respective successors and assigns of such parties, whether so expressed or not.
SECTION 6. Nothing in this Supplemental Indenture, expressed or implied, is intended, or shall be construed, to confer upon, or give to, any person, firm or corporation, other than the parties hereto and the holders of the bonds and coupons Outstanding under the Mortgage, any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Supplemental Indenture or any covenant, condition, stipulation, promise or agreement hereof, and all the covenants, conditions, stipulations, promises or agreements in this Supplemental Indenture contained by or on behalf of the Company shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the parties hereto, and of the holders of the bonds and of the coupons Outstanding under the Mortgage.
SECTION 7. This Supplemental Indenture shall be executed in several counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which shall constitute but one and the same instrument.
SECTION 8. This Supplemental Indenture shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, EN	TERGY ARKANSAS, INC. has caused its corporate
	this instrument to be signed and sealed by its President
or one of its Vice Presidents, and	its corporate seal to be attested by its Secretary or one
of its Assistant Secretaries for	and in its behalf, and DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST
	used its corporate name to be hereunto affixed, and this
	aled by, one of its or one of its
	and its corporate seal to be attested by one of its
	and THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST
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	e signed and sealed by one of its or
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fo	or and in its behalf, as of the day and year first above
written.	
	ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.
	Ву:
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	Name:
	Title:
Attact	
Attest:	
Name:	
Title:	
Executed, sealed and delivered by	
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ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.	
in the presence of:	
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Name:	
Name:	_
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DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST COMPANY AMERICAS, As Corporate Trustee By: ______

	Name: Title:	
Attest:		
Name:		
Title:		
Executed, sealed and delivere DEUTSCHE BANK TRUST in the presence of:		
Name:	-	
Name:	-	

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

As Co-Trustee as to property, real or personal, situated or being in Missouri

	Ву:
	Name:
	Title:
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Attest:	
Name:	
Title:	
Executed, sealed and delivered by	
	ELLON TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL
ASSOCIATION	,
in the presence of:	
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Name.	
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STATE OF LOUISIANA)) SS.:	
PARISH OF ORLEANS)	
On this day of, 20, before duly commissioned, qualified and acting with person the within named personally well known, who stated that, respectively, of ENT and were duly authorized in their respecting instrument for and in the name and behalf eacknowledged that they had so signed, execution for the consideration, uses and purposes thereighted	and, to me they were the and TERGY ARKANSAS, INC., a corporation, ative capacities to execute the foregoing of said corporation, and further stated and ted and delivered said foregoing instrument
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corporations described in and which execute the seal of said corporation; that the seal affix that it was so affixed by order of the Board he/she signed his/her name thereto by like ord	ed the above instrument; that he/she knows ed to said instrument is such corporate seal; I of Directors of said corporation, and that
me personally known, who, being by me	ANSAS, INC., and that the seal affixed to of said corporation, and that said instrument ration by authority of its Board of Directors,
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have official seal at my office in said Parish and Sta	we hereunto set my hand and affixed my ate the day and year last above written.
F	Name: Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana My Commission is Issued For Life

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	F, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my y and State the day and year last above written.
	Notary Public, State of
	Qualified in County Commission Expires

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	Commission Expires

BEFORE THE ARKANSAS PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION)	
OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. FOR)	
AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO)	DOCKET NO. 11-090-U
CERTAIN FINANCING TRANSACTIONS)	
BETWEEN DECEMBER 31, 2011, AND)	
DECEMBER 31, 2012)	

EAI EXHIBIT B

EXCERPT FROM UNANIMOUS CONSENT OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

Dated Effective as of August 23, 2011

The undersigned, being all the directors of Entergy Arkansas, Inc., an Arkansas corporation (the "Company"), do hereby waive all notice and the holding of a meeting and, pursuant to the provisions of Ark. Code Ann. § 4-27-821, do hereby take the following action without a meeting and consent to such action by our execution of this consent, intending it to have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote at a meeting:

WHEREAS, the Company desires to supplement the current financing plan of the Company to provide for long-term debt financings, which shall be in addition to the financings currently authorized by the Arkansas Public Service Commission and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority, in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$600,000,000, in the form of first mortgage bonds as well as debentures, loan agreements, credit facilities and other like instruments, both secured and unsecured; and

WHEREAS, the Company desires to use the proceeds from the sale of such debt instruments for general corporate purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, That, subject to obtaining all requisite approvals, authorizations and consents, the Board of Directors hereby approves a supplemental financing plan for the Company for the period December 31, 2011, through December 31, 2012, providing for (1) the issuance and sale by the Company, from time to time, of (a) one or more new series or sub-series of the Company's first mortgage bonds (the "Bonds") and (b) one or more series or sub-series of the Company's debentures (the "Debentures") and (2) the negotiation and execution of one or more new loan agreements, credit facilities and other like instruments, both secured and unsecured, all securities described in (1) and (2) above having a maturity greater than one year but no greater than sixty years (the "Long Term Debt") (such financings contemplated in (1) and (2) above are collectively referred to herein as the "New Financing Plan"), provided, however, the aggregate principal amount of Bonds, Debentures and Long-Term Debt issued under the New Financing Plan shall not collectively exceed \$600,000,000; and further

RESOLVED, That the officers of the Company be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to prepare, execute and file with the Arkansas Public Service Commission (the "APSC") and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (the "TRA") applications and any and all amendments thereto together with any and all exhibits and other documents related

thereto, as such officers may deem necessary or desirable for the purpose of obtaining the requisite authorizations of the APSC and the TRA for the New Financing Plan; and further

RESOLVED, That, if any series of Bonds or Debentures is to be sold publicly and is not otherwise the subject of a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"), the officers of the Company be, and each of them hereby is, authorized to prepare, execute and file with the SEC one or more registration statements with respect thereto, each including a prospectus, on such form or forms as the officers of the Company determine to be advisable, and any and all amendments and supplements thereto, as such officers may deem necessary or desirable, together with any and all exhibits and documents related thereto, pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the SEC promulgated thereunder; and further

RESOLVED, That the Company, for purposes of complying with the requirements of the blue sky laws of various states and other jurisdictions in connection with applications to register one or more new series or sub-series of the Bonds or Debentures, does hereby irrevocably authorize the President or any Vice President, the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer and the Secretary or any Assistant Secretary, and each of them, to execute for and on behalf of the Company any necessary forms and other papers designated by the respective securities regulatory authorities of such states and jurisdictions, including consents to service of process, needed for the registration of such Bonds or Debentures, and such officers of the Company, and each of them, are authorized to do everything necessary and proper to facilitate any public offering thereof in the various states and jurisdictions; and further

RESOLVED, That the officers of the Company be, and each of them hereby is, authorized and empowered, for and on behalf of the Company, to take or cause to be taken all steps and proceedings, to do all such acts and things and to execute all such documents and instruments as in their judgment may be necessary or appropriate to carry out and effectuate the purposes of the foregoing resolutions and the transactions contemplated thereby.

The undersigned, constituting all the members of the Board of Directors of the Company, do hereby consent to and approve the adoption of the foregoing resolutions as of the effective date first written above. This consent may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute one instrument.

[Signature Page Follows]

UNANIMOUS WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

Dated Effective as of August 23, 2011

Directors:

Hugh T. McDonald

Leo P. Denault

Mark T. Savoff

Gary J. Taylor

Hugh T. McDonald

Leo P. Denault

Mark Savoff

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ESTIMATED OFFERING EXPENSES

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ESTIMATE OF ISSUANCE EXPENSES*

EACH SERIES

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS and CERTAIN OTHER LONG-TERM DEBT

\$380,500

* Assumes offerings in the principal amount of \$200 million per issuance

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EAI EXHIBIT D

- (1) Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2011, and Pro Forma
- (2) Income Statement for the Twelve Months Ending June 30, 2011, and Pro Forma
- (3) Detail of Long-Term Debt as of June 30, 2011, and Pro Forma

Entergy Arkansas, Inc. Pro Forma Accounting Entries to Reflect the Proposed Transactions As of June 30, 2011 (\$ in thousands)

For Proposed Financing - Balance Sheet

Accounts	Debit	Credit
First Mortgage Bonds	200,000	
Loss on First Mortgage Bonds	-	
Discount on First Mortgage Bonds		-
Cash		200,000
To record retirement of \$200 million of First Mortgage		
premium/discount not included because of immaterial	effect.	
Cash	819,558	
Underwriting Fees (other assets)	5,443	
First Mortgage Bonds		625,000
Other Long-Term Debt (224)		200,000
To record issuance of \$625 million of First Mortgage I	Bonds and full utilization	on of a \$200
million credit facility.		
Cash	346,900	
Underwriter Fees (other assets)	3,100	
Long-term debt-tax exempt Bonds		350,000
To record issuance of \$350 million of tax exempt bond.	s. Interest expense effe	ct not
included because of immaterial effect.		
Cash	116,041	
Capital Stock Expense (paid-in capital)	3,959	
Capital Stock-Preferred	- ,	120,000
To record issuance of \$120 million of Preferred Stock.		-,
Cash	199,965	
Common Stock	,	160
Paid in capital		199,805
To record issuance of \$200 million of common stock, n	et of fees. Priced at \$1	,

share; 16,000,000 shares issued.

Entergy Arkansas, Inc. Pro Forma Accounting Entries to Reflect the Proposed Transactions As of June 30, 2011 (\$ in thousands)

For Proposed Financing - Income Statement

Accounts	Debit	Credit	
Accrued interest	11,053		
Interest Expense-First Mortgage Bonds		11,053	
To remove interest expense on retired First Mortgage Bonds as	s follows: \$115	million at	
5% per annum, \$60 million at 6.38% per annum, and \$25 milli	on at 5.9% per	annum.	
Interest Expense-First Mortgage Bonds Accrued interest	36,250	36,250	
To record interest expense on \$625 million of First Mortgage I	Ronds issued at	,	
rate of 5% per annum and \$200 million of credit facility borrow			
2.5% per annum.	vings ar assume	ca raic of	
Accrued taxes	9,915		
Income Taxes	,	9,915	
To record change in income taxes at 39.35% related to the cha	nge in interest o	expense.	
Interest Expense	17,500		
Accrued interest		17,500	
To record interest expense on \$350 million tax exempt bonds issued at assumed rate of 5% per annum.			
Accrued taxes	6,886		
Income Taxes		6,886	
To record change in income taxes at 39.35% related to the change in interest expense due to tax exempt bond activity.			
Dividends-Preferred Stock	12,000		
Accrued dividends		12,000	
To record dividends on \$120 million of Preferred Stock at assu	med rate of 109	% per	
annum.			
Accrued interest income	70,535		
Interest and Dividend Income		70,535	
To record interest income on the investment of the net proceeds	s of the propose	^{c}d	
transactions at the historic 5-year ROIC of 5.5% per annum.			
Income Taxes	27,756		
Accrued taxes		27,756	

To record change in income taxes at 39.35% related to the change in interest expense due to tax exempt bond activity.

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ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 (IN THOUSANDS)

		ADJUSTMENTS TO REFLECT	ADJUSTMENTS TO REFLECT	
		SCHEDULED	PROPOSED	
STATEMENT OF INCOME	PER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	PRO FORMA
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OPERATING REVENUES				
Domestic Electric	\$1,959,815	\$ -	\$ -	\$1,959,815
OPERATING EXPENSES				
Operation and Maintenance:				
Fuel and fuel-related expenses	265,343			265,343
Purchased power	476,811			476,811
Nuclear refueling outage expenses	40,160			40,160
Other operation and maintenance	513,920			513,920
Decommissioning	36,910			36,910
Taxes other than income taxes	81,538			81,538
Depreciation and amortization	216,892			216,892
Other regulatory credits	(4,311)			(4,311)
TOTAL	1,627,263	-	-	1,627,263
OPERATING INCOME	332,552	-	_	332,552
OTHER INCOME				
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	4,240			4,240
Interest and dividend income	41,799		70,535	112,334
Miscellaneous - net	(3,549)			(3,549)
TOTAL	42,490	-	70,535	113,025
INTEREST AND OTHER CHARGES				
Interest on long-term debt	81,422		42,697	124,119
Other interest - net	4,105		,	4,105
Allowance for borrowed funds used during construction	(1,896)			(1,896)
TOTAL	83,631	-	42,697	126,328
INCOME BEFORE INCOME TAXES	291,411	-	27,838	319,249
Income taxes	113,542	-	10,954	124,496
NET INCOME	177,869	-	16,884	194,753
Preferred dividend requirements and other	6,873	-	12,000	18,873
EARNINGS APPLICABLE TO COMMON STOCK	\$170,996	\$ -	\$ 4,884	\$175,880

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ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 2011 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

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		ADJUSTMENTS	ADJUSTMENTS	
		TO REFLECT	TO REFLECT	
		SCHEDULED	PROPOSED	
ASSETS	PER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	PRO FORMA
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents:				
Cash	3,226			3,226
Temporary cash investments - at cost,				
which approximates market	4,894		1,282,464	1,287,358
Total cash and cash equivalents	8,120	-	1,282,464	1,290,584
Accounts receivable:				
Customer	95,116			95,116
Allowance for doubtful accounts	(23,955)			(23,955)
Associated companies	52,555			52,555
Other	64,754			64,754
Accrued unbilled revenues	97,368			97,368
Total accounts receivable	285,838	_	_	285,838
Deferred fuel costs	52,093	-	-	52,093
Fuel inventory - at average cost	36,980			36,980
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Materials and supplies - at average cost	139,289			139,289
Deferred nuclear refueling outage costs	38,893			38,893
System agreement cost equalization	66,351			66,351
Prepayments and other	103,267			103,267
TOTAL	730,831	-	1,282,464	2,013,295
OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS				
Investment in affiliates - at equity	562			562
Decommissioning trust funds	551,003			551,003
Non-utility property - at cost (less accumulated depreciation)	1,681			1,681
Other	2,976			2,976
TOTAL	556,222	-	-	556,222
UTILITY PLANT (AT ORIGINAL COST)				
Electric	7,871,282			7,871,282
Construction work in progress	182,127			182,127
Nuclear fuel	55,339			55,339
TOTAL UTILITY PLANT - EXCLUDING CAPITAL LEASES	8,108,748	-	-	8,108,748
Less - accumulated depreciation and amortization	3,775,019			3,775,019
NET UTILITY PLANT - EXCLUDING CAPITAL LEASES	4,333,729			4,333,729
Property under capital lease	1,269			1,269
Nuclear fuel under capital lease	204,976			204,976
UTILITY PLANT - NET	4,539,974	-	=	4,539,974
DEFERRED DEBITS AND OTHER ASSETS				
Regulatory assets:				
SFAS 109 regulatory asset - net	93.203			93,203
Other regulatory assets	772,469			772,469
Other	27,036		8,543	35,579
TOTAL	892,708	_	8,543	901,251
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TOTAL ASSETS	6,719,735	_	1,291,006	8,010,741
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ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 2011 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

		ADJUSTMENTS	ADJUSTMENTS	
		TO REFLECT	TO REFLECT	
		SCHEDULED	PROPOSED	
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	PER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	PRO FORMA
CURRENT LIABILITIES	TER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	TROTORWA
Accounts payable:				
Associated companies	130,778			130,778
Other	138,034			138,034
Customer deposits	78,209			78,209
Taxes accrued	76,207			70,207
Accumulated deferred income taxes	91,148			91,148
Interest accrued	24,322			24,322
Obligations under capital leases	79,114			79,114
Other	24,672			79,114 24,672
TOTAL	566,277			566,277
TOTAL	366,277	-	-	366,277
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Accumulated deferred income taxes and taxes accrued	1,704,262			1,704,262
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	43,933			43,933
Obligations under capital leases	126,333			126,333
Other regulatory liabilities	150,017			150,017
Decommissioning	620,903			620,903
Accumulated provisions	5,484			5,484
Pension and other postretirement liabilities	324,488			324,488
Long-term debt (schedule attached)	1,604,971		975,000	2,579,971
Other	9.342		375,000	9,342
TOTAL	4,589,733	-	975,000	5,564,733
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Commitments and contingencies				
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Preferred stock without sinking fund	116,350		120,000	236,350
Common stock, \$0.01 par value, authorized 325,000,000				
shares; issued and outstanding 46,980,196 shares in 2006	470	-	160	630
Paid-in capital	588,444	-	195,846	784,290
Retained earnings	858,461		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	858,461
TOTAL	1,563,725	-	316,006	1,879,731
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	6,719,735	-	1,291,006	8,010,741

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ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC. DETAIL OF LONG-TERM DEBT AS OF JUNE 30, 2011 (\$ IN THOUSANDS)

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		ADJUSTMENTS	ADJUSTMENTS	
		TO REFLECT	TO REFLECT	
		SCHEDULED	PROPOSED	
LONG-TERM DEBT	PER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	PRO FORMA
First Mortgage Bonds				
5.40% Series due 2013	300,000	-	-	300,000
5.00% Series due 2018	115,000	-	(115,000)	-
3.75% Series due 2021	350,000	-	-	350,000
5.66% Series due 2025	175,000	-	-	175,000
5.90% Series due 2034	100,000	-	(25,000)	75,000
6.38% Series due 2034	60,000	-	(60,000)	-
5.75% Series due 2040	225,000	-	-	225,000
Various series due at various dates (assumed 5% rate)	-	-	625,000	625,000
Credit facility (assumed 2.5% rate)	-	-	200,000	200,000
TOTAL FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS	1,325,000	-	625,000	1,950,000
Governmental Bonds				
Jefferson County, Arkansas 4.60% Series due 2017	54,700	-	-	54,700
Independence County, Arkansas 5.0% Series due 2021	45,000	-	-	45,000
Various series due at various dates (assumed 5% rate)	-	-	350,000	350,000
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL BONDS	99,700	-	350,000	449,700
Nuclear Fuel Disposal Costs - DOE	181,011	-	-	181,011
Amount due within one year	-	-	-	-
Unamortized premium and discount on debt - net	(740)		-	(740)
TOTAL LONG-TERM DEBT	\$1,604,971	\$ -	\$ 975,000	\$2,579,971

		ADJUSTMENTS	ADJUSTMENTS	
		TO REFLECT	TO REFLECT	
		SCHEDULED	PROPOSED	
PREFERRED STOCK WITHOUT SINKING FUND	PER BOOKS	TRANSACTIONS	TRANSACTIONS	PRO FORMA
Cumulative, \$100 Par				
4.32% Series	7,000	-	-	7,000
4.72% Series	9,350	-	-	9,350
4.56% Series	7,500	-	-	7,500
4.56% 1965 Series	7,500	-	-	7,500
6.08% Series	10,000	-	-	10,000
Various series (assumed 10% dividend rate)	-	-	120,000	120,000
Cumulative, \$25 Par				
6.45% Series	75,000			75,000
TOTAL PREFERRED STOCK WITH SINKING FUND	116,350	_	120,000	236,350

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DIRECT TESTIMONY

OF

STEVEN C. MCNEAL

VICE PRESIDENT AND TREASURER

ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

ON BEHALF OF ENTERGY ARKANSAS, INC.

Entergy Arkansas, Inc. Direct Testimony of Steven C. McNeal Docket No. 11-090-U

I. <u>INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND</u>

- 2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME, BUSINESS ADDRESS AND
- 3 OCCUPATION.
- 4 A. My name is Steven C. McNeal. My business address is 639 Loyola
- 5 Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70113. I am Vice President and
- Treasurer of Entergy Corporation, Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("EAI" or the
- 7 "Company"), Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C. ("EGSL"), Entergy
- 8 Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc.,
- 9 Entergy Texas, Inc. ("ETI"), System Energy Resources, Inc., Entergy
- Services, Inc. ("ESI"), and various other Entergy affiliates.

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- 12 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND,
- 13 PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS, AND PROFESSIONAL
- 14 EXPERIENCE.
- 15 A. I received a Bachelors of Science degree in Business and History from
- Trinity University in San Antonio in 1979. I received an M.B.A. from
- Tulane University in 1981.
- I began my employment with ESI in January 1982. Since then, I
- have held positions in Financial Planning, Risk Management, Corporate
- 20 Finance, and Treasury. I was named Vice President and Treasurer in
- 21 1998.

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¹ ESI is an affiliate of EAI that provides technical and administrative service to all the Entergy Operating Companies. The Entergy Operating Companies include EAI; EGSL; Entergy Louisiana, LLC; Entergy Mississippi, Inc.; Entergy New Orleans, Inc.; and ETI.

Entergy Arkansas, Inc.
Direct Testimony of Steven C. McNeal

Docket No. 11-090-U

In my present position, I am responsible for treasury functions, including managing corporate finance, cash management, credit rating agency relations, investment activities, commodity and credit risk, and insurance and loss control activities.

I have oversight responsibilities for the execution of financings for Entergy Corporation's domestic utilities and have executed certain financings for other subsidiaries. As a part of this activity, I have regular dialogue with capital market participants, including lenders, investment bankers, and institutional investors. I also have maintained active dialogue with the credit rating agencies on behalf of Entergy Corporation and its subsidiaries.

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- 13 Q. ON WHOSE BEHALF ARE YOU TESTIFYING?
- 14 A. I am testifying on behalf of EAI.

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- 16 Q. HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY TESTIFIED IN A REGULATORY
 17 PROCEEDING?
- A. Yes. I have submitted testimony to the Arkansas Public Service
 Commission ("APSC" or the "Commission") in connection with the
 application of EAI for authorization to enter into certain financing
 transactions in APSC Docket Nos. 95-594-U, 99-234-U, 01-221-U, 03093-U, 03-139-U, 06-096-U, and 09-068-U. I have filed testimony with the
 APSC in connection with the proposal for an independent electric

Entergy Arkansas, Inc.

Direct Testimony of Steven C. McNeal

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transmission company (APSC Docket No. 00-383-U) and with EAI's Applications for Approval of Synthetic Railcar Lease (APSC Docket Nos. 02-224-U and 09-120-U). I have also filed testimony before the retail regulators of EAl's affiliates on a variety of financial issues. For example, I have filed testimony (i) with the Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC"), Mississippi Public Service Commission, and the Council of the City of New Orleans in connection with the proposal for an independent coordinator of transmission for the Entergy Operating Companies' transmission facilities, (ii) with the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUCT") and the LPSC supporting the jurisdictional separation plan of an affiliate, Entergy Gulf States, Inc. ("EGSI"), (iii) with the PUCT relating to EGSI's unbundled cost of service filing, 2004 and 2007 rate cases, and 2006 and 2009 Texas securitization filings, and (iv) with the LPSC with respect to the ninth earnings review of the merger with EGSI and storm cost recovery filings in 2001, 2008, and 2009, and an investment recovery filing in 2011.

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Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR TESTIMONY IN THIS DOCKET?

The purpose of my direct testimony is to support EAI's request for a \$600 million increase in its financing authorization through December 31, 2012, for the issuance of long-term debt in the form of first mortgage bonds ("First Mortgage Bonds" or "Bonds"), as well as debentures ("Debentures"), loan agreements, credit facilities, and other like

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instruments, both secured and unsecured ("Long-Term Debt") in addition to the securities (including First Mortgage Bonds, preferred stock, common stock and tax-exempt bonds) approved by the Commission on September 14, 2009 in Order No. 1 in Docket No. 09-068-U ("Order No. 1"). Specifically, I will describe the First Mortgage Bonds that EAI has issued pursuant to Order No. 1 and the Company's reasons for requesting an increase in its authorization to issue Long-Term Debt, including First Mortgage Bonds.

II. <u>DESCRIPTION OF EAI'S FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS AND OTHER</u> <u>LONG-TERM DEBT</u>

12 Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE EAI'S FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS.

EAI's First Mortgage Bonds are issued pursuant to the Company's Mortgage and Deed of Trust dated as of October 1, 1944, to Guaranty Trust Company of New York (Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, successor), as Trustee, and Marvin A. Mueller (BNY Mellon Trust Company of Missouri, successor), Co-Trustee as to certain Missouri property, as supplemented and as proposed to be further supplemented by appropriate supplemental indentures thereto (the "Mortgage"). The Mortgage constitutes a first mortgage lien on all of the properties presently owned by EAI (except as stated below), subject to (a) leases of minor portions of the Company's property to others for uses which do not interfere with the conduct of the Company's business, (b) leases of certain

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EAI property not used in its electric utility business, and (c) excepted encumbrances. There are excepted from the lien of the Mortgage all cash and securities; certain equipment, fuel, materials, or supplies; timber, minerals, mineral rights, and royalties; receivables, contracts, leases, and operating agreements; and certain unimproved lands sold or to be sold. The Mortgage contains provisions for encumbering after-acquired property by the lien thereof, subject to limitation in the case of consolidation, merger, or sale of substantially all of EAI's assets. The aggregate amount of First Mortgage Bonds issued and outstanding under the Mortgage as of July 31, 2011, was approximately \$1,325 million (excluding \$101.4 million of Collateral Bonds as defined in Order No. 1), all of which are secured by the lien of the Mortgage.

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Q. DOES EAI'S MORTGAGE IMPOSE ANY RESTRICTIONS ON THE AMOUNT OF FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS THAT MAY BE ISSUED?

Yes. There are two principal restrictions, one relates to maintaining adequate interest coverage and the other relates to fundable property requirements. Pursuant to the Mortgage, additional Bonds may not be issued unless EAI's adjusted net earnings for any 12 consecutive months within a specified period immediately preceding the issuance of the additional Bonds have been at least twice the amount of the annual interest requirements on all outstanding Bonds, plus the annual interest on the additional Bonds being issued and any indebtedness of prior rank.

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Under the Mortgage, EAI's adjusted net earnings are accounted for as

"Net Utility Operating Income," excluding the effects of income taxes while

including a minor portion of "Other Income" that normally consists of

Allowance for Funds Used During Construction.

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Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN THE SECOND PRINCIPAL RESTRICTION OF THE
 MORTGAGE TO WHICH YOU REFERRED EARLIER.

A. The Mortgage currently prohibits the issuance of First Mortgage Bonds in 8 9 an amount in excess of 60 percent of the value of specifically identified fundable property as determined in accordance with the Mortgage. 10 11 Fundable property is essentially real or personal property of the Company subject to the lien of the Mortgage. EAI currently has the right under the 12 13 Mortgage to amend the Mortgage to provide for an 80 percent bonding 14 ratio; however, an 80 percent ratio could be high enough to cause the credit rating agencies to have concerns. If such concerns do surface, EAI 15 may effect the increase and immediately bring the ratio down to a lower 16 17 level (above 60 percent) so as to effect such an increase which would not

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Q. ARE THERE OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON THE ISSUANCE OF LONG-TERM DEBT BY THE COMPANY?

trigger any adverse credit rating agency actions.

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A. Yes. This Commission and the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") 1 regulate the issuance of all securities with maturities of one year or longer 2 3 by the Company. 4 WHAT OTHER LONG-TERM DEBT IS EAI REQUESTING AUTHORITY 5 Q. 6 TO ISSUE? 7 Α. In addition to First Mortgage Bonds, EAI is requesting authority to issue Debentures and to enter into loan agreements, credit facilities, and other 8 9 like instruments, in each case, where the borrowings issued thereunder 10 may be outstanding for periods in excess of one year, with various commercial banks, on both secured and unsecured bases. 11 12 Q. REQUESTING ANY CHANGES TO THE SECURITIES EAI 13 14 REMAINING AUTHORIZED BUT UNISSUED UNDER THE ORDER? Α. No. The application is not requesting any changes to the orders 15 authorized levels of financing through Preferred Stock, Common Stock or 16 Tax-Exempt Bonds (each, as defined in the Order) or to the \$225 million 17 of First Mortgage Bonds, in all cases, authorized but unissued under the 18 Order. 19 20

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1 III. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS ISSUED</u> 2 <u>PURSUANT TO ORDER NO. 1</u>

3 Q. WHAT BONDS HAS EAI ISSUED PURSUANT TO THE ORDER NO. 1?

Of the \$800 million authorized in Order No. 1, as of July 31, 2011, EAI has issued \$575 million of First Mortgage Bonds. On October 8, 2010, EAI issued \$225 million principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds, 5.75% Series due November 1, 2040. The net proceeds of this issuance were used for general corporate purposes, including (i) to repay prior to maturity all of EAI's outstanding \$100 million First Mortgage Bonds, 6.0% Series due November 1, 2032 and (ii) to repay prior to maturity all of EAI's outstanding \$100 million First Mortgage Bonds, 6.70% Series due April 1, 2032.

On November 12, 2010, EAI issued \$350 million principal amount of First Mortgage Bonds, 3.75% Series due February 15, 2021. The net proceeds of this issuance were used for general corporate purposes, including (i) to repay prior to maturity all of EAI's outstanding \$150 million First Mortgage Bonds, 5.4% Series due May 1, 2018; (ii) to cause the repayment prior to maturity of all of the outstanding \$120 million Pope County, Arkansas 6.30% Pollution Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Arkansas Power & Light Company Project) Series 1995, maturing November 1, 2020; and (iii) to cause the repayment prior to maturity of all of the outstanding \$19.5 million Pope County, Arkansas 6.30% Pollution

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- Control Revenue Refunding Bonds (Arkansas Power & Light Company 1 2 Project) Series 1994, maturing December 1, 2016.
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- 5 REQUESTED
- Q. PLEASE DESCRIBE CERTAIN OF THE OTHER LONG-TERM DEBT EAI 6 7 IS REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO ISSUE.
- A. Loan agreements, credit facilities, and other similar instruments present 8 9 another means for the Company to manage its day-to-day working capital needs as well as its long-term debt portfolio. With a structure similar to 10 11 short-term revolving credit facilities, these long-term credit instruments allow the Company to incur revolving debt (where the Company can 12 13 borrow, pay down, and reborrow under a single facility with a maximum 14 amount of borrowing to be outstanding at any time) with borrowings outstanding up to terms of approximately 5 years. 15
- Q. WHY IS THE COMPANY CONSIDERING A MULTI-YEAR CREDIT 17
- FACILITY? 18

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19 Α. The benefit of such arrangements is that the Company can lock-in favorable terms and credit spreads for the full term of the facility, instead 20 of renegotiating such terms annually. Should the market improve during 21 22 the life of a long-term credit facility, the Company has the option of 23 renegotiating the terms to take advantage of such market improvements, Entergy Arkansas, Inc.
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but, if market conditions worsen, the Company can elect to keep the longterm credit facility (and its relatively more advantageous terms) in place until the full multi-year term has been reached.

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V. REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE LONG-TERM DEBT, INCLUDING FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

- Q. PLEASE **EXPLAIN** WHY THE **COMPANY** IS REQUESTING 7 AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE AN ADDITIONAL AGGREGATE AMOUNT 8 OF LONG-TERM DEBT, INCLUDING FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS, IN 9 AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$600 MILLION THROUGH 10 THE END OF 2012. 11
 - As a result of the issuances of First Mortgage Bonds pursuant to Order No. 1 that I have just described in my testimony, EAI has remaining First Mortgage Bond issuance authority to issue no more than an additional aggregate principal amount of \$225 million of First Mortgage Bonds through the end of 2012.

Current economic forecasts for the Company reflect continued potential opportunities for economic refunding. Due to the environment of low interest rates and demand for First Mortgage Bonds in the capital markets, EAI has been able to successfully capitalize on these market conditions by issuing First Mortgage Bonds with greater flexibility, better terms, and lower rates than previously issued securities. In addition, the Company has outstanding \$115 million First Mortgage Bonds, 5% Series

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due July 1, 2018, and \$60 million First Mortgage Bonds, 6.38% Series due November 1, 2034, which are currently callable. Due to continuing favorable market conditions, the Company believes that some or all of these Bonds may be refinanced on favorable terms at a lower net financing cost. Other Entergy Operating Companies have recently issued First Mortgage Bonds with rates and terms ranging from 3.25 percent for 5 years to 6 percent for 40 years. The most recent issuance resulted in a 4.1 percent rate for 10 years.

The Company also forecasts a need for additional financing to fund certain capital investments. In April 2011, the Company signed an asset purchase agreement to acquire the Hot Spring Plant, a 620 MW natural gas-fired combined-cycle turbine plant located in Hot Spring County, Arkansas, from a subsidiary of KGen Power Corporation for approximately \$253 million with an anticipated additional expenditure of approximately \$24 million for plant upgrades.² The acquisition is expected to occur in the second quarter of 2012 assuming all appropriate approvals have been obtained. EAI is also in the process of constructing several large transmission projects with total estimated costs over \$100 million.³ Also in April 2011, several thunderstorms with either tornados or straight-line winds caused damage to the Company's transmission and distribution

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² EAI filed for APSC approval to acquire and obtain cost recovery of the Hot Spring Plant in Docket No. 11-069-U on July 15, 2011.

³ The transmission projects expected to be under construction or complete by the end of 2012 include projects where certificates of convenience and necessity have been granted by the APSC in Docket Nos. 09-127-U (Holland Bottom Substation), 10-106-U (Ebony Substation), and 10-050-U (161 kV Transmission Line and Vilonia substation).

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lines, equipment, poles and other facilities requiring an estimated capital expenditure of \$50 million.⁴

In addition to the remaining authorization for \$225 million of First Mortgage Bonds, the Company's forecasts indicate the need for an additional \$600 million of authority for the Company to issue long-term debt in the form of First Mortgage Bonds, as well as Debentures, loan agreements, credit facilities and other like instruments, both secured and unsecured, to best manage its liquidity and working capital requirements and continue to reduce interest expenses.

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Q. WHY IS EAI REQUESTING EXPEDITED TREATMENT OF ITS APPLICATION?

Expedited treatment of this request for expanded authorization to issue Long-Term Debt in addition to the First Mortgage Bonds and other securities remaining authorized but unissued under Order No. 1 will position the Company to take advantage of any improvements in the bond market to refinance bonds with better terms and lower interest rates and to best manage its liquidity and working capital requirements. This will assist in improving the overall debt structure of EAI.

I ask that the APSC issue an order by October 1, 2011, so that EAI can proceed to secure approval by the TRA through a similar application.

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⁴ See Entergy Corporation's 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2011, filed on August 8, 2011, at 72. The 10-Q may be found at:

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The TRA usually does not act on an application by EAI until the APSC has granted approval. A final order of the TRA approving EAI's Application would not become effective until 60 days after issuance. This timing should allow for EAI to have additional financing authorization in place by December 31, 2011.

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

- 8 Q. PLEASE SUMMARIZE YOUR TESTIMONY.
- Α. 9 EAI's overall financing goal is to meet its liquidity and working capital 10 requirements and to achieve a low cost of capital, which can be best 11 accomplished by taking advantage of market conditions as they arise. Enhancing financial flexibility and granting additional authority would 12 13 provide the Company with the opportunity to minimize financing costs to 14 the benefit of EAI and its customers. For these reasons, the Company believes it is in the public interest for this request to be approved by the 15 Commission. It is appropriate for the APSC to take expedited action and 16 issue an order by October 1, 2011, to accomplish these financial goals 17 and to allow sufficient time to obtain TRA approval. 18

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- 20 Q. DOES THIS CONCLUDE YOUR TESTIMONY AT THIS TIME?
- 21 A. Yes.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Steven K. Strickland, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing has been served upon all parties of record by forwarding the same by electronic mail and/or first class mail, postage prepaid, this 9th day of September 2011.

/s/ Steven K. Strickland
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