

**RESOLUTION**

**NO. R-17-229**

**CITY HALL: May 4, 2017**

**BY: COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, HEAD, GUIDRY, BROSSETT AND GRAY**

**IN RE: RULEMAKING TO ESTABLISH INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLANNING  
COMPONENTS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTERGY NEW  
ORLEANS, INC.**

**DOCKET NO. UD-17-01**

**RESOLUTION AND ORDER ESTABLISHING  
DEADLINE FOR PARTIES TO FILE COMMENTS ON ADVISORS' REPORT**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Louisiana and the Home Rule Charter of the City of New Orleans ("Charter"), the Council of the City of New Orleans ("Council") is the governmental body with the power of supervision, regulation, and control over public utilities providing service within the City of New Orleans; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to its powers of supervision, regulation, and control over public utilities, the Council is responsible for fixing and changing rates and charges of public utilities and making all necessary rules and regulations to govern applications for the fixing and changing of rates and charges of public utilities; and

**WHEREAS**, Entergy New Orleans, Inc. ("ENO" or "Company") is a public utility providing electric and natural gas service to all of New Orleans;<sup>1</sup> and

**WHEREAS**, in the 2015 Triennial Integrated Resource Planning ("IRP") review proceeding in Council Docket No. UD-08-02, the parties' comments and Advisors' Report raised various concerns regarding both the IRP process and IRP Requirements; and

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<sup>1</sup> On September 1, 2015, the service territory of Entergy Louisiana, LLC-Algiers was transferred to ENO. Prior to that date, ENO and Entergy Louisiana, LLC ("ELL") both participated in this proceeding. Throughout this Resolution, "Companies" refers to ENO and ELL-Algiers, acting jointly prior to September 1, 2015 and "Company" refers to ENO representing the entire service territory within Orleans Parish after September 1, 2015.

**WHEREAS**, the Council also heard from members of the public who attended the Community Hearing in that proceeding that there was a desire for greater community involvement and transparency in the IRP process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council found that parties' suggestions for changing the IRP process and IRP Requirements were more properly considered in a rulemaking, and consequently on January 26, 2017, the Council issued Resolution No. R-17-32 establishing this docket and setting forth a procedural schedule for the consideration of proposed specific changes to the Council's IRP process and IRP Requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, the Resolution required parties to file any proposed changes to the Council's IRP Requirements or IRP process with specific language amending or modifying the Council's IRP Requirements or improving the IRP process by February 24, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, a deadline of March 27, 2017 was set for parties to file reply comments responding to the proposed changes and a deadline of April 25, 2017 was established for the Advisors to file an Advisors' Report; and

**WHEREAS**, several parties filed comments in this proceeding including ENO, the Alliance for Affordable Energy, the New Orleans Sewerage and Water Board, Deep South Center for Environmental Justice, Inc., PosiGen of Louisiana, LLC, 350 Louisiana and Building Science Innovators, LLC; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 27, 2017, the parties filed reply comments to each other's proposals and after considering all parties' proposed changes to the Council's IRP requirements and subsequent reply comments, the Advisors filed its Advisors' Report on April 25, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the Advisors note that the comments filed by the parties are somewhat wide-ranging in nature, and not easily reconciled; and

**WHEREAS**, as the Advisors worked through the comments filed by the parties, it became evident that it would be extremely difficult to edit the existing IRP Requirements to address all of the parties' concerns, and that rewriting the IRP Requirements in their entirety would produce IRP Requirements that are more coherent, understandable, and capable of implementation; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council has not, historically, allowed parties to file comments after the Advisors' Report has been submitted in utility dockets but our Advisors believe that an exception should be made in this proceeding because the parties may not have been able to anticipate the significant nature of the proposed changes to the IRP rules and process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council believes that a thirty (30) day period should be established to allow all parties an opportunity to comment on the Advisors' Report filed in this proceeding on April 25, 2017; now therefore:

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS**

**THAT:** The Council hereby establishes a thirty (30) day period or until May 25, 2017, for the parties to this docket to file comments on the Advisors' Report filed on April 25, 2017.

**THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION WAS READ IN FULL, THE ROLL WAS CALLED ON THE ADOPTION THEREOF AND RESULTED AS FOLLOWS:**

**YEAS:** Brossett, Cantrell, Gray, Guidry, Head, Williams - 6

**NAYS:** 0

**ABSENT:** Ramsey - 1

**AND THE RESOLUTION WAS ADOPTED.**

THE FOREGOING IS CERTIFIED  
TO BE A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY  
*Lara W. Johnson*  
CLERK OF COUNCIL