



Entergy Services, LLC

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP Purpose: Identification of Environmental Projects For Potential Funding

Issued and Coordinated by:
Entergy's Sustainability & Environmental Policy
Organization

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General Information and Purpose of this RFP

The intent of this RFP is to assist Entergy's Sustainability & Environmental Policy (SEP) organization in the selection of environmentally beneficial projects and/or partners for those projects. The selected projects will be funded in whole or in part by the Entergy Environmental Initiatives Fund (EIF).

Acceptable projects may include those that lower water usage, prevent or reduce waste, encourage recycling, promote energy efficiency, lower emissions, promote or address environmental justice education, decrease fuel consumption, increase efficiency, reduce water effluents, improve water quality, provide for registered greenhouse gas (GHG) offsets and/or develop innovative solutions to climate change impacts, or any other concepts that have an added environmental benefit for Entergy and its stakeholders.

The RFP also solicits existing or developing projects targeted in the same areas whose scope of work could be modified to accomplish the goals stated above.

Funding for the project must be completed in 2021. An initial screening of the high-level proposals will identify a set of proposals for which SEP will seek additional information for further consideration. SEP may engage with third-party subject matter experts (SMEs) to review, rank, and recommend projects for consideration. SEP reserves the right to accept or reject any and all proposals.

The initial project review screening will seek to determine the project value based on:

- Potential to create environmental benefits
- Location (projects within the utility service area or near non-utility company operations sites may be given preference)
- Project quality
- Developer standing, reputation, and co-party risk
- The likelihood that a project will not move forward without EIF funding
- Cost
- Marketing and public relations opportunities
- Project-specific terms and conditions
- Uniqueness, innovative quality, or opportunity to expand into self-funding projects

A. Overview of Entergy

Entergy Corporation (NYSE: ETR) is an integrated energy company engaged primarily in electric power production and retail distribution operations. Entergy owns and operates power plants with approximately 30,000 megawatts of electric generating capacity, including 8,000 megawatts of nuclear power. Entergy delivers electricity to 2.9 million utility customers in Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. Entergy has annual revenues of approximately \$11 billion and approximately 13,600 employees. For more information regarding Entergy, please visit our web site at www.entergy.com.

Current Regulated Service Territory**Entergy's Utility Companies:**

- Entergy Arkansas, LLC
- Entergy Louisiana, LLC
- Entergy Mississippi, LLC
- Entergy New Orleans, LLC
- Entergy Texas, Inc.

B. Entergy's Environmental Focus

Entergy is committed to environmental compliance and stewardship. In 2020, Entergy was named to the Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index. Entergy was one of only four U.S. companies in the index's Electric Utilities sector named to the list. Entergy is the only U.S. electric utility in the sector to be included on the index for 19 consecutive years. Entergy earned top scores in the areas of materiality, policy influence, climate strategy, water-related risks, environmental reporting, and social reporting and top decile performance in the areas of corporate governance, codes of business conduct, information security/cybersecurity & system availability, environmental policy & management systems and talent attraction & retention.

In general, Entergy supports GHG regulation through flexible, economy-wide, market-based mechanisms. The company also has focused on climate adaptation and extreme weather risk management for its service area. In 2001, Entergy was the first U.S. utility to stabilize its GHG emissions through a voluntary commitment. Entergy's Board of Directors established the EIF to support environmentally beneficial projects with an emphasis on climate change mitigation and solutions. Entergy has funded a variety of GHG offset and environmental improvement projects from the EIF since 2001. The company has continued to adopt more stringent CO₂ reduction goals and, in March 2019, published a climate report and scenario analysis that is available at www.entergy.com/climatereport. The report announces Entergy's goal of reducing its CO₂ emissions rate (lbs/MWh) by 50%, from 2000 levels, by 2030. In 2020, Entergy announced a commitment to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050 and published an [addendum](#) to the 2019 Climate Report.

Entergy also was a founding member of the American Carbon Registry (ACR). Many of our GHG projects have been registered with ACR. This RFP seeks to continue the work on both internal and external opportunities that address GHG and/or other projects as described above. The company seeks to fund projects that address climate change and align with the [United Nations Sustainable Development Goals](#). These goals include [#13 - Climate Action](#), [#6 - Clean Water and Sanitation](#), [#12 - Responsible Consumption and Production](#), [#15 - Life on Land](#), [#7 - Affordable and Clean Energy](#), and [#17 - Partnerships for the Goals](#).

The EIF has been used to support a variety of creative and innovative projects. Past projects funded have included CO₂ capture/sequestration; habitat restoration; wetland restoration; water quality efficiency and reuse; the purchase of environmental attributes, offsets and allowances; community development for environmental outreach/education/demonstration; and projects that support the commercialization of emerging or creative environmental/energy efficiency technologies. Additional information on projects funded can be viewed at [Entergy's Environmental Initiatives Fund: History and Highlights](#).



C. General Conditions

Entergy reserves the right to pursue contract negotiations at a later date, if at all, with any bidder best suited to meet Entergy's needs. Any expenses incurred in the preparation of responses to this RFP are the sole responsibility of the bidder. The ability to submit proposals is not limited to entities who received this RFP directly from Entergy. Funding will not be provided for political organizations or organizations designed primarily to lobby, fraternal organizations, merchant associations, chamber memberships or programs, or 501(c)(4) or (6) organizations.

D. Right of Rejection

Entergy reserves the right to accept or reject any or all responses to this RFP or any portion thereof for any reason or for no reason at all. Neither receipt of a response nor failure to reject a response shall impose any obligation on Entergy to fund a project.

E. Submission Requirements

An online application for the project must be completed by bidders via the [Entergy EIF application](#). The project application should focus on the criteria listed above, and applicants should be aware of the following information:

1. Internet Browser: At this time both the Google Chrome and the Microsoft Edge internet browsers are NOT compatible with Entergy's system. To save and submit your application, you should use Internet Explorer (versions 7 and above) or Firefox with Silverlight.
2. Federal EIN: After clicking the link to the application, you will be asked for the federal employer tax identification number (FEIN) of the organization for which you are requesting funds. The person that handles the taxes for your organization or company should have that information readily available. If your organization does not fall under section 501 of the IRS tax code, a message will appear stating that the Tax ID you entered was not found in the IRS database. However, you can hit OK and the system will grant you access to the application. The application also contains a field for the FEIN. If you do not have the actual number, then enter "0000" and the system will allow you to continue.
3. Save Often. You should save your application every 5 to 10 minutes to avoid losing information.
4. Deadline. Applications must be received no later than midnight, Central Time, on April 16, 2021. Clarifying questions can be posed before the deadline by submitting questions to the email address EIF@entergy.com.

F. Performance Schedule

RFP Issued	January 29, 2021
Clarifying questions	January 29 – April 16, 2021
Application due date	April 16, 2021
Review of submittals	April 16 – June 30, 2021
Begin final selection announcements	on or about July 16, 2021