



**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 to 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, reduce emissions, promote or address environmental justice, decrease fuel consumption, reduce water effluents or otherwise improve water quality, provide for registered greenhouse gas (GHG) emission offsets and/or develop innovative solutions to climate change impacts, or that otherwise deliver specific environmental benefit(s) 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 2023. An initial screening of the high-level proposals will identify a set of proposals for which SEP may 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 screening will seek to determine the project value based on:

- Potential to create environmental benefits
- Location (projects within the utility service area will be given preference)
- Project quality
- Proponent's 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), a Fortune 500 company headquartered in New Orleans, powers life for 3 million customers across Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Texas. Entergy is creating a cleaner, more resilient energy future for everyone with our diverse power generation portfolio, including increasingly carbon-free energy sources. With roots in the Gulf South region for more than a century, Entergy is a recognized leader in corporate citizenship, delivering more than \$100 million in economic benefits to local communities through philanthropy and advocacy efforts annually over the last several years. Our approximately 12,000 employees are dedicated to powering life today and for future generations.

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 2022, Entergy was named to the Dow Jones Sustainability North America Index for the 21st consecutive year. Entergy is the only U.S. electric utility to be included on the index for 20 consecutive years and is one of only four companies in the sector named to the list.

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. The company has continued to adopt more stringent CO₂ reduction goals and, in March 2019, published a [climate report and scenario analysis](#) that announced Entergy's goal of reducing its CO₂ emissions rate (lbs/MWh) by 50%, from 2000 levels, by 2030. In 2020, Entergy committed to achieve net-zero emissions by 2050 and published an [addendum](#) to the 2019 Climate Report. In 2022, Entergy enhanced its commitment including adding an [interim goal](#) of 50% carbon-free generating capacity by 2030.

In addition to our own climate goals, Entergy supports projects that combat climate change and its impacts; increase access to clean water and sanitation; improve access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy; protect ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, and halt biodiversity loss; promote sustainable consumption and production and reduce waste; and strengthen our partnerships at the regional, state, and local levels.

Past EIF projects 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; electric vehicle uptake including development of charging infrastructure; and other 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](#). A list of 2022 EIF award recipients is available [here](#).

C. 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.

D. 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.

Successful bidders will be required to execute a Grant Agreement prior to receiving funds and will be required to submit semi-annual reports that include financial data detailing how funds were used, the overall status of the project, and the quantifiable environmental benefits of the 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. Applicants should also be aware of the following information:

1. Internet Browser: Entergy's grant system is compatible with the following browsers:
 - a. Chrome (Windows, Mac, Android)
 - b. Firefox (Windows and Mac)
 - c. Edge
 - d. Safari.
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 May 31, 2023. Clarifying questions can be posed before the deadline by submitting questions to the email address EIF@entergy.com.

F. Performance Schedule

RFP Issued	February 14, 2023
Application due date	May 31, 2023
Review of submittals	June 1 – August 31, 2023
Begin final selection announcements	on or about September 8, 2023