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(Mark One)

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Quarterly Period Ended March 31, 2008

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13
OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____

Commission File Number	Registrant, State of Incorporation, Address of Principal Executive Offices, Telephone Number, and IRS Employer Identification No.	Commission File Number	Registrant, State of Incorporation, Address of Principal Executive Offices, Telephone Number, and IRS Employer Identification No.
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrants (1) have filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrants were required to file such reports), and (2) have been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

	Large accelerated filer	Accelerated filer	Non-accelerated filer	Smaller reporting company
Entergy Corporation	√			
Entergy Arkansas, Inc.			√	
Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C.			√	
Entergy Louisiana, LLC			√	
Entergy Mississippi, Inc.			√	
Entergy New Orleans, Inc.			√	
System Energy Resources, Inc.			√	

Indicate by check mark whether the registrants are shell companies (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
 Yes

No

Common Stock Outstanding

Entergy Corporation

(\$0.01 par value)

Outstanding at April 30, 2008

191,503,280

Entergy Corporation, Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., Entergy Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc., and System Energy Resources, Inc. separately file this combined Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Information contained herein relating to any individual company is filed by such company on its own behalf. Each company reports herein only as to itself and makes no other representations whatsoever as to any other company. This combined Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q supplements and updates the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the calendar year ended December 31, 2007, filed by the individual registrants with the SEC, and should be read in conjunction therewith.

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FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION

In this combined report and from time to time, Entergy Corporation and the Registrant Subsidiaries each makes statements as a registrant concerning its expectations, beliefs, plans, objectives, goals, strategies, and future events or performance. Such statements are "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Words such as "believes," "intends," "plans," "predicts," "estimates," and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the only means to identify these statements. Although each of these registrants believes that these forward-looking statements and the underlying assumptions are reasonable, it cannot provide assurance that they will prove correct. Any forward-looking statement is based on information current as of the date of this combined report and speaks only as of the date on which such statement is made. Except to the extent required by the federal securities laws, these registrants undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

Forward-looking statements involve a number of risks and uncertainties. There are factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed or implied in the forward-looking statements, including those factors discussed or incorporated by reference in (a) Item 1A. Risk Factors in the Form 10-K, (b) Management's Financial Discussion and Analysis in the Form 10-K and in this report, and (c) the following factors (in addition to others

described elsewhere in this combined report and in subsequent securities filings):

- resolution of pending and future rate cases and negotiations, including various performance-based rate discussions and implementation of Texas restructuring legislation, and other regulatory proceedings, including those related to Entergy's System Agreement, Entergy's utility supply plan, recovery of storm costs, and recovery of fuel and purchased power costs
- changes in utility regulation, including the beginning or end of retail and wholesale competition, the ability to recover net utility assets and other potential stranded costs, the operations of the independent coordinator of transmission that includes Entergy's utility service territory, and the application of more stringent transmission reliability requirements or market power criteria by the FERC
- changes in regulation of nuclear generating facilities and nuclear materials and fuel, including possible shutdown of nuclear generating facilities, particularly those in the Non-Utility Nuclear business
- resolution of pending or future applications for license renewals or modifications of nuclear generating facilities
- the performance of Entergy's generating plants, and particularly the capacity factors at its nuclear generating facilities
- Entergy's ability to develop and execute on a point of view regarding future prices of electricity, natural gas, and other energy-related commodities
- prices for power generated by Entergy's unregulated generating facilities, the ability to hedge, sell power forward or otherwise reduce the market price risk associated with those facilities, including the Non-Utility Nuclear plants, and the prices and availability of fuel and power Entergy must purchase for its utility customers, and Entergy's ability to meet credit support requirements for fuel and power supply contracts
- volatility and changes in markets for electricity, natural gas, uranium, and other energy-related commodities
- changes in law resulting from federal energy legislation
- changes in environmental, tax, and other laws, including requirements for reduced emissions of sulfur, nitrogen, carbon, mercury, and other substances
- uncertainty regarding the establishment of interim or permanent sites for spent nuclear fuel and nuclear waste storage and disposal
- variations in weather and the occurrence of hurricanes and other storms and disasters, including uncertainties associated with efforts to remediate the effects of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita and recovery of costs associated with restoration
- Entergy's and its subsidiaries' ability to manage their operation and maintenance costs
- Entergy's ability to purchase and sell assets at attractive prices and on other attractive terms
- the economic climate, and particularly growth in Entergy's service territory
- the effects of Entergy's strategies to reduce tax payments

FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION (Concluded)

- changes in the financial markets, particularly those affecting the availability of capital and Entergy's ability to refinance existing debt, execute its share repurchase program, and fund investments and acquisitions
- actions of rating agencies, including changes in the ratings of debt and preferred stock, changes in general corporate ratings, and changes in the rating agencies' ratings criteria
- changes in inflation and interest rates
- the effect of litigation and government investigations
- advances in technology
- the potential effects of threatened or actual terrorism and war
- Entergy's ability to attract and retain talented management and directors
- changes in accounting standards and corporate governance
- and the following transactional factors (in addition to others described elsewhere in this and in subsequent securities filings): (i) risks inherent in the contemplated Non-Utility Nuclear spin-off, joint venture and related transactions (including the level of debt incurred by the spun-off company and the terms and costs related thereto); (ii) legislative and regulatory actions; and (iii) conditions of the capital markets during the periods

covered by the forward-looking statements. Entergy Corporation cannot provide any assurances that the spin-off or any of the proposed transactions related thereto will be completed, nor can it give assurances as to the terms on which such transactions will be consummated. The transaction is subject to certain conditions precedent, including regulatory approvals and the final approval by the Board.

DEFINITIONS

Certain abbreviations or acronyms used in the text and notes are defined below:

<u>Abbreviation or Acronym</u>	<u>Term</u>
AEEC	Arkansas Electric Energy Consumers
AFUDC	Allowance for Funds Used During Construction
ALJ	Administrative Law Judge
ANO 1 and 2	Units 1 and 2 of Arkansas Nuclear One Steam Electric Generating Station (nuclear), owned by Entergy Arkansas
APSC	Arkansas Public Service Commission
Board	Board of Directors of Entergy Corporation
capacity factor	Actual plant output divided by maximum potential plant output for the period
City Council or Council	Council of the City of New Orleans, Louisiana
Entergy	Entergy Corporation and its direct and indirect subsidiaries
Entergy Corporation	Entergy Corporation, a Delaware corporation
Entergy Gulf States, Inc.	Predecessor company for financial reporting purposes to Entergy Gulf States Louisiana that included the assets and business operations of both Entergy Gulf States Louisiana and Entergy Texas
Entergy Gulf States Louisiana	Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., a company created in connection with the jurisdictional separation of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. and the successor company to Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for financial reporting purposes. The term is also used to refer to the Louisiana jurisdictional business of Entergy Gulf States, Inc., as the context requires.
Entergy-Koch	Entergy-Koch, LP, a joint venture equally owned by subsidiaries of Entergy and Koch Industries, Inc.
Entergy Texas	Entergy Texas, Inc., a company created in connection with the jurisdictional separation of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. The term is also used to refer to the Texas jurisdictional business of Entergy Gulf States, Inc., as the context requires.
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
ERCOT	Electric Reliability Council of Texas
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
firm liquidated damages	Transaction that requires receipt or delivery of energy at a specified delivery point (usually at a market hub not associated with a specific asset); if a party fails to deliver or receive energy, the defaulting party must compensate the other party as specified in the contract
Form 10-K	Annual Report on Form 10-K for the calendar year ended December 31, 2007 filed by Entergy Corporation and its Registrant Subsidiaries with the SEC
Grand Gulf	Unit No. 1 of Grand Gulf Steam Electric Generating Station (nuclear), 90% owned or leased by System Energy

GWh	Gigawatt-hour(s), which equals one million kilowatt-hours
Independence	Independence Steam Electric Station (coal), owned 16% by Entergy Arkansas, 25% by Entergy Mississippi, and 7% by Entergy Power
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
ISO	Independent System Operator
kW	Kilowatt
kWh	Kilowatt-hour(s)
LPSC	Louisiana Public Service Commission
MMBtu	One million British Thermal Units

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DEFINITIONS (Continued)

MPSC	Mississippi Public Service Commission
MW	Megawatt(s), which equals one thousand kilowatt(s)
MWh	Megawatt-hour(s)
Net debt ratio	Gross debt less cash and cash equivalents divided by total capitalization less cash and cash equivalents
Net MW in operation	Installed capacity owned or operated
Non-Utility Nuclear	Entergy's business segment that owns and operates six nuclear power plants and sells electric power produced by those plants to wholesale customers
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NYPA	New York Power Authority
PPA	Purchased power agreement
production cost	Cost in \$/MMBtu associated with delivering gas, excluding the cost of the gas
PUCT	Public Utility Commission of Texas
PUHCA 1935	Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended
PUHCA 2005	Public Utility Holding Company Act of 2005, which repealed PUHCA 1935, among other things
Registrant Subsidiaries	Entergy Arkansas, Inc., Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C., Entergy Louisiana, LLC, Entergy Mississippi, Inc., Entergy New Orleans, Inc., and System Energy Resources, Inc.
River Bend	River Bend Steam Electric Generating Station (nuclear), owned by Entergy Gulf States Louisiana
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
SFAS	Statement of Financial Accounting Standards as promulgated by the FASB
System Agreement	Agreement, effective January 1, 1983, as modified, among the Utility operating companies relating to the sharing of generating capacity and other power resources
System Energy	System Energy Resources, Inc.
TIEC	Texas Industrial Energy Consumers
TWh	Terawatt-hour(s), which equals one billion kilowatt-hours

unit-contingent	Transaction under which power is supplied from a specific generation asset; if the asset is unavailable, the seller is not liable to the buyer for any damages
Unit Power Sales Agreement	Agreement, dated as of June 10, 1982, as amended and approved by FERC, among Entergy Arkansas, Entergy Louisiana, Entergy Mississippi, Entergy New Orleans, and System Energy, relating to the sale of capacity and energy from System Energy's share of Grand Gulf
Utility	Entergy's business segment that generates, transmits, distributes, and sells electric power, with a small amount of natural gas distribution
Utility operating companies	Entergy Arkansas, Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, Entergy Louisiana, Entergy Mississippi, Entergy New Orleans, and Entergy Texas
Waterford 3	Unit No. 3 (nuclear) of the Waterford Steam Electric Generating Station, 100% owned or leased by Entergy Louisiana
weather-adjusted usage	Electric usage excluding the effects of deviations from normal weather

ENTERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES

MANAGEMENT'S FINANCIAL DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Entergy operates primarily through two business segments: Utility and Non-Utility Nuclear.

- **Utility**

generates, transmits, distributes, and sells electric power in a four-state service territory that includes portions of Arkansas, Mississippi, Texas, and Louisiana, including the City of New Orleans; and operates a small natural gas distribution business.

- **Non-Utility Nuclear**

owns and operates six nuclear power plants located in the northern United States and sells the electric power produced by those plants primarily to wholesale customers. This business also provides services to other nuclear power plant owners.

In addition to its two primary, reportable, operating segments, Entergy also operates the non-nuclear wholesale assets business. The non-nuclear wholesale assets business sells to wholesale customers the electric power produced by power plants that it owns while it focuses on improving performance and exploring sales or restructuring opportunities for its power plants.

Plan to Pursue Separation of Non-Utility Nuclear

In November 2007, the Board approved a plan to pursue a separation of the Non-Utility Nuclear business from Entergy through a tax-free spin-off of the Non-Utility Nuclear business to Entergy shareholders. Enexus Energy Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Entergy and formerly referred to as SpinCo, will be a new, separate, and publicly-traded company. In addition, under the plan, Enexus and Entergy are expected to enter into a nuclear services

business joint venture, EquaGen L.L.C., with 50% ownership by Enexus and 50% ownership by Entergy. The EquaGen board of members will be comprised of equal membership from both Entergy and Enexus.

Upon completion of the spin-off, Entergy Corporation's shareholders will own 100% of the common stock in both Enexus and Entergy. Entergy expects that Enexus' business will be substantially comprised of Non-Utility Nuclear's assets, including its six nuclear power plants, and Non-Utility Nuclear's power marketing operation. Entergy Corporation's remaining business will primarily be comprised of the Utility business. EquaGen is expected to operate the nuclear assets owned by Enexus. EquaGen is also expected to offer nuclear services to third parties, including decommissioning, plant relicensing, plant operations, and ancillary services.

Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., the current NRC-licensed operator of the Non-Utility Nuclear plants, filed an application in July 2007 with the NRC seeking indirect transfer of control of the operating licenses for the six Non-Utility Nuclear power plants, and supplemented that application in December 2007 to incorporate the planned business separation. Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., which is expected to be wholly-owned by EquaGen, will remain the operator of the plants after the separation. Entergy Operations, Inc., the current NRC-licensed operator of Entergy's five Utility nuclear plants, will remain a wholly-owned subsidiary of Entergy and will continue to be the operator of the Utility nuclear plants. In the December 2007 supplement to the NRC application, Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. provided additional information regarding the spin-off transaction, organizational structure, technical and financial qualifications, and general corporate information. The NRC published a notice in the Federal Register establishing a period for the public to submit a request for hearing or petition to intervene in a hearing proceeding. The NRC notice period expired on February 5, 2008 and two petitions to intervene in the hearing proceeding were filed before the deadline. Each of the petitions opposes the NRC's approval of the license transfer on various grounds, including contentions that the approval request is not adequately supported regarding the basis for the proposed structure, the adequacy of decommissioning funding, and the adequacy of financial qualifications. Entergy submitted answers to the petitions on March 31 and April 8, and the NRC or a presiding officer designated by the NRC will determine whether a hearing will be granted. If a hearing is granted, the NRC is expected to issue a procedural schedule providing for limited discovery, written testimony and a legislative-type hearing. Under the NRC's procedural rules for license transfer approvals, the NRC Staff will continue to review the application, prepare a Safety Evaluation Report and issue an approval or denial without regard to whether a hearing request is pending or has been granted. Thus, resolution of the hearing requests is not a prerequisite to obtaining the required NRC approval.

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On January 28, 2008, Entergy Nuclear Vermont Yankee and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. requested approval from the Vermont Public Service Board for the indirect transfer of control, consent to pledge assets, issue guarantees and assign material contracts, amendment to certificate of public good, and replacement of guaranty and substitution of a credit support agreement for Vermont Yankee. Two Vermont utilities that buy power from Vermont Yankee, the regional planning commission for the area served by Vermont Yankee, a municipality in which the Vermont Yankee training center is located, the union that represents certain Vermont Yankee employees, and two unions that represent certain employees at the Pilgrim plant in Massachusetts petitioned to intervene. Entergy opposed intervention by the Pilgrim unions but did not object to the other intervention requests, and the Pilgrim unions' petition to intervene was denied. The Vermont Public Service Board adopted a procedural schedule that includes hearings in July 2008 and final briefing in August 2008.

On May 7, 2008, the Vermont governor vetoed legislation approved by the Vermont General Assembly in its 2008 session that would have required Entergy to fund, beyond current NRC requirements, the decommissioning trust fund for Vermont Yankee as a precondition to the Vermont Public Service Board's approval of the spin-off transaction. The legislation would have required a determination that Vermont Yankee's decommissioning trust fund and other funds and financial guarantees available solely for the purpose of decommissioning were adequate to pay for a complete and immediate decommissioning of Vermont Yankee as of the date of any acquisition of control, including Enexus Energy's acquisition of control of Vermont Yankee in connection with the spin-off transaction.

On January 28, 2008, Entergy Nuclear FitzPatrick, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3, Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc., and corporate affiliate NewCo (now named Enexus) filed a petition with the New York Public Service Commission (NYPSC) requesting a declaratory ruling regarding corporate reorganization or in the alternative an order approving the transaction and an order approving debt financing. Petitioners also requested confirmation that the corporate reorganization will not have an effect on Entergy Nuclear FitzPatrick's, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2's, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3's, and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc.'s status as lightly regulated entities in New York, given that they will continue to be competitive wholesale generators. The New York Attorney General has filed an objection to the separation of Enexus from Entergy and to the transfer of the FitzPatrick and the two Indian Point nuclear power plants, arguing that the debt associated with the separation could threaten access to adequate financial resources for Enexus' nuclear power plants, that Entergy could potentially be able to terminate revenue sharing agreements with the New York Power Authority (NYPA), the entity from which Entergy purchased the FitzPatrick and Indian Point 3 nuclear power plants, and because the New York Attorney General believes Entergy must file an environmental impact statement assessing the proposed corporate restructuring. The Office of the County Executive of Westchester County, New York and Riverkeeper, Inc. also filed comments on Entergy's petition. Entergy submitted a responsive filing to the NYPSC on April 29, 2008, responding to the comments filed by the New York Attorney General, the Office of the County Executive of Westchester County, New York, and Riverkeeper.

Pursuant to Federal Power Act Section 203, on February 21, 2008, an application was filed with the FERC requesting approval for the indirect disposition and transfer of jurisdictional facilities of a public utility. The review of the filing by the FERC will be focused on determining that the transaction will have no adverse effects on competition, wholesale or retail rates and on federal and state regulation. Also, the FERC will seek to determine that the transaction will not result in cross-subsidization by a regulated utility or the pledge or encumbrance of utility assets for the benefit of a non-utility associate company.

Pursuant to the notice filed in the Federal Register, the LPSC filed comments raising an issue concerning cross-subsidization. On April 17, 2008, however, the LPSC withdrew its protest, which was the only one filed in the FERC proceeding, after a stipulation was entered between the LPSC, Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, and Entergy Louisiana. In the stipulation, Entergy Gulf States Louisiana and Entergy Louisiana agree, among other things, that services to be provided by Equagen to them will be provided at cost and the LPSC may subject Entergy Gulf States Louisiana and Entergy Louisiana to a disallowance to the extent the cost of such services exceed the market price at the time the services are rendered. Entergy Gulf States Louisiana and Entergy Louisiana also agree to provide to the LPSC annual reports related to services provided by Equagen that are allocated to Entergy Louisiana and Entergy Gulf States Louisiana.

Subject to market terms and conditions and pursuant to the plan, Enexus is expected to incur up to \$4.5 billion of debt in the form of publicly or privately issued debt securities. Entergy expects Enexus to transfer to Entergy up to approximately \$4.0 billion in the form of either cash proceeds from the issuance of debt securities or a portion of such debt securities, or both, in partial consideration for Entergy's transfer to Enexus of the Non-Utility Nuclear business. Entergy expects to use Enexus debt securities to reduce or retire Entergy debt by exchanging Enexus debt with certain holders of Entergy debt, and also expects to use proceeds from Enexus for share repurchases or other corporate purposes. The amount to be paid to Entergy, the amount and term of the debt Enexus will incur, and the type of debt and entity that will incur the debt have not been finally determined, but will be determined prior to the separation. A number of factors could affect this final determination, and the amount of debt ultimately incurred could be different from the amount disclosed. Additionally, Entergy expects Enexus to enter into one or more credit facilities or other financing arrangements intended to support Enexus' working capital needs, collateral obligations, and other corporate needs arising from hedging and normal course of business requirements.

Entergy grants stock options to key employees under the Equity Ownership Plan, which is a shareholder-approved stock-based compensation plan. The Equity Ownership Plan includes provisions whereby the Personnel Committee of the Board can act, in the event of a corporate event such as a spin-off that potentially dilutes the value of the underlying stock of Entergy stock options held by employees, to preserve the current intrinsic value of stock option awards. Potential actions by the Personnel Committee could be to adjust the exercise price of the option and adjust the number of Entergy options held by employees or grant options in the stock of the subsidiary to be spun off (in this case Enexus Energy), or a combination of both, to prevent dilution in the total value of the options held by employees. If such action is taken and the Entergy Equity Ownership Plan is considered modified under the applicable accounting rules, Entergy may be required to recognize incremental compensation cost for the difference in the fair market value of the outstanding equity awards before and after any adjustment by the Board, which could be significant. The change in fair value would be recognized immediately for vested awards and over the remaining vesting period for unvested awards. The weighted average remaining vesting period for all unvested Entergy stock options is 1.8 years as of December 31, 2007. The amount of the incremental compensation cost, if it must be recognized, would be based upon a number of factors that are not yet known including, but not limited to, the number of shares that will be outstanding before and after any adjustment by the Board, the expected value of Entergy and Enexus Energy at or near the spin-off date, and the expected volatilities of Entergy stock, Enexus Energy stock, or both. Although the ultimate decision of the Personnel Committee, the factors noted above, and the required accounting are not yet known, the amount of expense that Entergy could record in the future based upon outstanding equity awards and assumptions could be material to its financial results and financial position.

Entergy is targeting around the end of third quarter 2008 as the effective date for the spin-off and EquaGen transactions to be completed. Entergy expects the transactions to qualify for tax-free treatment for U.S. federal income tax purposes for both Entergy and its shareholders, and Entergy submitted a private letter ruling request to the IRS in April 2008 regarding the tax-free treatment. Final terms of the transactions and spin-off completion are subject to several conditions, including the final approval of the Board. As Entergy pursues completion of the separation and establishment of EquaGen, Entergy will continue to consider possible modifications to and variations upon the transaction structure, including a sponsored spin-off, a partial initial public offering preceding the spin-off, or the addition of a third-party joint venture partner.

Results of Operations

Entergy New Orleans Bankruptcy

As a result of the effects of Hurricane Katrina and the effect of extensive flooding that resulted from levee breaks in and around the New Orleans area, on September 23, 2005, Entergy New Orleans filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy court seeking reorganization relief under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. On May 7, 2007, the bankruptcy judge entered an order confirming Entergy New Orleans' plan of reorganization, and the plan became effective on May 8, 2007. See the Form 10-K for a discussion of the significant terms of Entergy New Orleans' plan of reorganization.

With confirmation of the plan of reorganization, Entergy reconsolidated Entergy New Orleans, retroactive to January 1, 2007. Because Entergy owns all of the common stock of Entergy New Orleans, reconsolidation does not affect the amount of net income that Entergy recorded from Entergy New Orleans' operations for the current or prior periods, but does result in Entergy New Orleans' financial results being included in each individual income statement line item in 2007, rather than only its net income being presented as "Equity in earnings of unconsolidated equity affiliates," as will remain the case for 2005 and 2006.

Income Statement Variances

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Following are income statement variances for Utility, Non-Utility Nuclear, Parent & Other, and Entergy comparing the first quarter 2008 to the first quarter 2007 showing how much the line item increased or (decreased) in comparison to the prior period:

	Utility	Non-Utility Nuclear (In Thousands)	Parent & Other (1)	Entergy
2007 Consolidated Net Income	\$104,450	\$128,170	(\$20,425)	\$212,195
Net revenue (operating revenue less fuel expense, purchased power, and other regulatory charges/credits)	27,291	203,488	(1,337)	229,442
Other operation and maintenance expenses	11,975	34,637	279	46,891
Taxes other than income taxes	(14,498)	5,087	(4,701)	(14,112)
Depreciation and amortization	(975)	13,459	91	12,575
Other income	(18,465)	2,865	(3,989)	(19,589)
Interest charges	(5,472)	4,504	5,526	4,558
Other expenses	1,548	14,901	-	16,449
Income taxes	3,551	40,238	3,149	46,938
2008 Consolidated Net Income	\$117,147	\$221,697	(\$30,095)	\$308,749

(1) Parent & Other includes eliminations, which are primarily intersegment activity.

Refer to "ENTERGY CORPORATION AND SUBSIDIARIES - SELECTED OPERATING RESULTS" for further information with respect to operating statistics.

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Net Revenue

Utility

Following is an analysis of the change in net revenue comparing the first quarter 2008 to the first quarter 2007.

	Amount (In Millions)
2007 net revenue	\$1,007.3
Fuel recovery	18.9
Base revenues	14.6
Rider revenue	9.4
Purchased power capacity	(13.4)
Other	(2.2)
2008 net revenue	\$1,034.6

The fuel recovery variance resulted primarily from a reserve for potential rate refunds in the first quarter 2007 in Texas as a result of a PUCT ruling related to the application of past PUCT rulings addressing transition to competition in Texas.

The base revenues variance is primarily due to the interim surcharge to collect \$10 million in under-recovered incremental purchased capacity costs incurred through July 2007 in Texas. The surcharge was collected over a two-month period beginning February 2008. The incremental capacity recovery rider and PUCT approval is discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements in the Form 10-K. The variance is also due to a formula rate plan increase effective July 2007 at Entergy Mississippi.

The rider revenue variance is primarily due to an increase in the Attala power plant costs that are recovered through the power management rider at Entergy Mississippi. The net income effect of this recovery is limited to a portion representing an allowed return on equity with the remainder offset by Attala power plant costs in other operation and maintenance expenses, depreciation expenses, and taxes other than income taxes. The variance is also due to a storm damage rider that became effective in October 2007 at Entergy Mississippi. The establishment of this rider results in an increase in rider revenue and a corresponding increase in other operation and maintenance expense for the storm reserve with no impact on net income.

The purchased power capacity variance is due to the amortization of deferred capacity costs and is offset in base revenues due to the incremental purchased capacity costs recovered through the interim surcharge, as discussed above.

Non-Utility Nuclear

Net revenue increased for Non-Utility Nuclear from \$422 million for the first quarter 2007 to \$625 million for the first quarter 2008 primarily due to higher pricing in its contracts to sell power, additional production resulting from the acquisition of the Palisades plant in April 2007, and fewer outage days. Palisades contributed \$78 million of net revenue in the first quarter 2008. Included in the Palisades net revenue is \$19 million of amortization of the Palisades purchased power agreement liability, which is discussed in Note 15 to the financial statements in the Form 10-K. Following are key performance measures for Non-Utility Nuclear for the first quarter 2008 and 2007:

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	2008	2007
Net MW in operation at March 31	4,998	4,200
Average realized price per MWh	\$61.47	\$55.11
GWh billed	10,760	8,315
Capacity factor	97%	91%
Refueling Outage Days:		
Indian Point 2	7	-
Indian Point 3	-	24

Other Operation and Maintenance Expenses

Utility

Other operation and maintenance expenses increased from \$408 million for the first quarter 2007 to \$420 million for the first quarter 2008 primarily due to:

- an increase of \$13 million in fossil expenses primarily due to higher costs for plant maintenance outages as a result of differing outage schedules for 2008 compared to 2007; and
- an increase of \$11 million in storm damage charges as a result of several storms hitting Entergy Arkansas' service territory in the first quarter 2008. Entergy Arkansas discontinued regulatory storm reserve accounting beginning July 2007 as a result of the APSC order issued in Entergy Arkansas' rate case. As a result, non-capital storm expenses are charged to other operation and maintenance expenses.

The increase was partially offset by a decrease of \$8 million in payroll, payroll-related, and benefits costs and a decrease of \$4 million in legal costs incurred.

Non-Utility Nuclear

Other operation and maintenance expenses increased from \$147 million for the first quarter 2007 to \$182 million for the first quarter 2008 primarily due to the acquisition of the Palisades plant in April 2007. Other operation and maintenance expenses associated with the Palisades plant were \$29 million in the first quarter 2008.

Taxes Other than Income Taxes

Taxes other than income taxes decreased primarily due to the resolution in the first quarter 2008 of issues relating to tax exempt bonds in the Utility. Approximately half of the decrease related to resolution of this issue is at System Energy and has no effect on net income because System Energy also has a corresponding decrease in its net revenue.

Depreciation and Amortization

Depreciation and amortization expenses increased primarily due to the acquisition by Non-Utility Nuclear of the Palisades plant in April 2007.

Other Expenses

Nuclear refueling outage expenses and decommissioning expense both increased primarily due to the acquisition by Non-Utility Nuclear of the Palisades plant in April 2007.

Other Income

Other income decreased primarily due to a reduction in the allowance for equity funds used during construction in the Utility due to a revision in the first quarter 2007 related to removal costs. Also contributing to the decrease were various other individually insignificant factors.

Income Taxes

The effective income tax rates for the first quarters of 2008 and 2007 were 38.1% and 40.1%, respectively. The difference in the effective income tax rate versus the statutory rate of 35% for the first quarter 2008 is primarily due to state income taxes and book and tax differences for utility plant items, partially offset by an adjustment to state income taxes for Non-Utility Nuclear to reflect the effect of a change in the methodology of computing New York state income taxes as required by that state's taxing authority. The difference in the effective income tax rate versus the statutory rate of 35% for the first quarter 2007 is primarily due to state income taxes and book and tax differences for utility plant items, partially offset by book and tax differences related to the allowance for equity funds used during construction and the amortization of investment tax credits.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

See "MANAGEMENT'S FINANCIAL DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Liquidity and Capital Resources" in the Form 10-K for a discussion of Entergy's capital structure, capital expenditure plans and other uses of capital, and sources of capital. Following are updates to that discussion.

Capital Structure

Entergy's capitalization is balanced between equity and debt, as shown in the following table. The increase in the debt to capital percentage from 2007 to 2008 is primarily the result of additional borrowings under Entergy Corporation's revolving credit facilities, along with a decrease in shareholders' equity primarily due to an increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss and repurchases of common stock, offset by an increase in retained earnings. The increase in accumulated other comprehensive loss is primarily due to derivative instrument fair value changes. See Note 1 (Derivative Financial Instruments and Commodity Derivatives)

and Note 16 to the financial statements in the Form 10-K for additional discussion of the accounting treatment of derivative instruments. The increase in the debt to capital percentage is in line with Entergy's financial and risk management aspirations.

	March 31, 2008	December 31, 2007
Net debt to net capital	56.5%	54.7%
Effect of subtracting cash from debt	2.1%	2.9%
Debt to capital	58.6%	57.6%

Net debt consists of debt less cash and cash equivalents. Debt consists of notes payable, capital lease obligations, and long-term debt, including the currently maturing portion. Capital consists of debt, common shareholders' equity, and preferred stock without sinking fund. Net capital consists of capital less cash and cash equivalents. Entergy uses the net debt to net capital ratio in analyzing its financial condition and believes it provides useful information to its investors and creditors in evaluating Entergy's financial condition.

As discussed in the Form 10-K, Entergy Corporation has in place a \$3.5 billion credit facility that expires in August 2012. Entergy Corporation has the ability to issue letters of credit against the total borrowing capacity of the facility. As of March 31, 2008, amounts outstanding under the credit facility are:

Capacity	Borrowings	Letters of Credit	Capacity Available
(In Millions)			

\$3,500	\$2,476	\$71	\$953
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Entergy Corporation's credit facility requires it to maintain a consolidated debt ratio of 65% or less of its total capitalization. If Entergy fails to meet this ratio, or if Entergy or one of the Utility operating companies (except Entergy New Orleans) defaults on other indebtedness or is in bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings, an acceleration of the facility's maturity date may occur.

Capital Expenditure Plans and Other Uses of Capital

See the table and discussion in the Form 10-K under "**MANAGEMENT'S FINANCIAL DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Liquidity and Capital Resources - Capital Expenditure Plans and Other Uses of Capital**," that sets forth the amounts of planned construction and other capital investments by operating segment for 2008 through 2010. Following is an update to the discussion in the Form 10-K.

Little Gypsy Repowering Project

The preconstruction and operating air permits for the Little Gypsy repowering project was issued by the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) in November 2007 under then-effective federal and state air regulations, including the EPA's Clean Air Mercury Rule that had been issued in 2005 (CAMR 2005). As discussed in more detail in part I, Item 1, "Environmental Regulation, Clean Air Act and Subsequent Amendments, Hazardous Air Pollutants" in the Form 10-K, in February 2008 the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit struck down CAMR 2005. The D.C. Circuit decision may require utilities to undergo a case-by-case Maximum Achievable Control Technology (MACT) analysis for construction or reconstruction of emission units pursuant to the Clean Air Act before beginning construction. The Little Gypsy project as currently configured is expected to meet MACT standards. Because Little Gypsy received its construction permit before a formal MACT analysis was required, however, Entergy Louisiana will likely need to provide additional technical analysis to the LDEQ to show that the plant meets the MACT standards. Entergy Louisiana is in discussions with state and federal environmental agencies to identify the additional analysis that needs to be submitted. Onsite construction of the project was scheduled to begin in July 2008, but the additional analysis could cause a delay in the start of construction for several months. The ALJ in Phase II of the Little Gypsy proceedings at the LPSC, which are discussed further in the Form 10-K, has temporarily suspended the procedural schedule, subject to the LPSC's review, which could occur at its May 14, 2008 meeting.

Sources of Capital

The short-term borrowings of the Registrant Subsidiaries and certain other Entergy subsidiaries are limited to amounts authorized by the FERC. The current FERC-authorized limits are effective through March 31, 2010, as established by a FERC order issued March 31, 2008 (except for Entergy Gulf States Louisiana and Entergy Texas, which are effective through November 8, 2009, as established by an earlier FERC order). See Note 4 to the financial statements for further discussion of Entergy's short-term borrowing limits.

Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita

In August and September 2005, Hurricanes Katrina and Rita caused catastrophic damage to large portions of the Utility's service territory in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas, including the effect of extensive flooding that resulted from levee breaks in and around the greater New Orleans area. The storms and flooding resulted in widespread power outages, significant damage to electric distribution, transmission, and generation and gas infrastructure, and the loss of sales and customers due to mandatory evacuations and the destruction of homes and businesses. Entergy has pursued a

broad range of initiatives to recover storm restoration and business continuity costs, including obtaining reimbursement of certain costs covered by insurance and pursuing recovery through existing or new rate mechanisms regulated by the FERC and local regulatory bodies, including the issuance of securitization or bonds. See Note 2 to the financial statements herein for an update regarding Entergy Gulf States Louisiana's and Entergy Louisiana's storm cost financing efforts. Following is an update regarding Entergy's insurance claims.

Insurance Claims

See Note 8 to the financial statements in the Form 10-K for a discussion of Entergy's conventional property insurance program and its Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita claims. In April 2008, Entergy received from its primary insurer \$53.6 million of additional insurance proceeds on its Hurricane Katrina claim, and all of the April 2008 proceeds were allocated to Entergy New Orleans.

Cash Flow Activity

As shown in Entergy's Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows, cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2008 and 2007 were as follows:

	2008	2007
	(In Millions)	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	\$1,254	\$1,016
Effect of reconsolidating Entergy New Orleans	-	17
Cash flow provided by (used in):		
Operating activities	448	493
Investing activities	(588)	(267)
Financing activities	(198)	(159)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(338)	67
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$916	\$1,100

Operating Activities

Entergy's cash flow provided by operating activities decreased by \$45 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. Following are cash flows from operating activities by segment:

- Utility provided \$168 million in cash from operating activities in 2008 compared to providing \$335 million in 2007 primarily due to decreased collection of deferred fuel costs.
- Non-Utility Nuclear provided \$340 million in cash from operating activities in 2008 compared to providing \$216 million in 2007, primarily due to an increase in net revenue, partially offset by an increase in operation and maintenance costs associated with the acquisition of the Palisades power plant in April 2007.
- Parent & Other used approximately \$60 million in cash from operating activities in both 2008 and 2007.

Investing Activities

Net cash used in investing activities increased by \$321 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007 primarily due to the following activity:

- Construction expenditures were \$71 million higher in 2008 than in 2007, primarily due to increased spending on various projects by the Utility that are discussed further in "Capital Expenditure Plans" in the Form 10-K.
- In March 2008, Entergy Gulf States Louisiana purchased the Calcasieu Generating Facility, a 322 MW simple-cycle, gas-fired power plant located near the city of Sulphur in southwestern Louisiana, for approximately \$56.4 million.
- Non-Utility Nuclear made a \$72 million payment to NYPA under the value sharing agreement associated with the acquisition of the Fitzpatrick and Indian Point 3 power plants. See Note 8 to the financial statements in the Form 10-K for additional discussion of the value sharing agreement.
- Entergy Mississippi realized proceeds in 2007 from \$100 million of investments held in trust that were received from a bond issuance in 2006 and used to redeem bonds in 2007.

Financing Activities

Net cash used in financing activities increased by \$39 million for the three months ended March 31, 2008 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2007. The following significant financing cash flow activity occurred in the first quarters of 2008 and 2007:

- Entergy Corporation increased the net borrowings under its credit facilities by \$225 million in the first quarter 2008 and by \$615 million in the first quarter 2007. See Note 4 to the financial statements for a description of the Entergy Corporation credit facilities.
- Entergy Corporation repaid \$87 million of notes payable at their maturity in March 2008.
- Entergy Mississippi redeemed \$100 million of first mortgage bonds in 2007.
- Entergy Corporation repurchased \$158 million of its common stock in the first quarter 2008 and \$558 million of its common stock in the first quarter 2007.
- Entergy Corporation increased the dividend on its common stock. The dividend was \$0.54 per share for the first quarter 2007 and \$0.75 per share for the first quarter 2008.

Significant Factors and Known Trends

See "MANAGEMENT'S FINANCIAL DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - Significant Factors and Known Trends" in the Form 10-K for discussions of rate regulation, federal regulation, and market and credit risk sensitive instruments. Following are updates to the information provided in the Form 10-K.

State and Local Rate Regulation

See the Form 10-K for a chart summarizing material rate proceedings. See Note 2 to the financial statements herein for updates to the proceedings discussed in that chart.

Federal Regulation

See the Form 10-K for a discussion of federal regulatory proceedings. Following are updates to that discussion.

System Agreement Proceedings

Production Cost Equalization Proceeding Commenced by the LPSC

See the Form 10-K for a discussion of the June 2005 FERC decision in the System Agreement litigation that had been commenced by the LPSC, which was essentially affirmed in the FERC's decision in a December 2005 order on rehearing. The LPSC, APSC, MPSC, and the

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AEEC appealed the FERC's decision to the United States Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. Entergy and the City of New Orleans intervened in the various appeals. The D.C. Circuit issued its decision in April 2008. The D.C. Circuit affirmed the FERC's decision in most respects, but remanded the case to the FERC for further proceedings and reconsideration of its conclusion that it was prohibited from ordering refunds and its determination to implement the bandwidth remedy commencing with calendar year 2006 production costs (with the first payments/receipts commencing in June 2007), rather than commencing the remedy on June 1, 2005. The D.C. Circuit concluded the FERC had failed so far in the proceeding to offer a reasoned explanation regarding these issues.

Rough Production Cost Equalization Rates

See the Form 10-K for a discussion of the proceeding in which Entergy filed the rates to implement the FERC's orders in the production cost equalization proceeding. Intervenor cross-answering testimony was filed during March and April 2008, in which the intervenors and FERC Staff advocate a number of positions on issues that affect the level of production costs the individual Utility operating companies are permitted to reflect in the bandwidth calculation, including the level of depreciation and decommissioning expense for nuclear facilities. The effect of the various positions would be to reallocate costs among the Utility operating companies. Additionally, the APSC, while not taking a position on whether Entergy Arkansas was imprudent for not exercising its right of first refusal to repurchase a portion of the Independence plant in 1996 and 1997 as alleged by the LPSC, alleges that if the FERC finds Entergy Arkansas to be imprudent for not exercising this option, the FERC should disallow recovery from customers by Entergy of approximately \$43 million of increased costs. On April 28, 2008 the Utility operating companies filed rebuttal testimony refuting the allegations of imprudence concerning the decision not to acquire the portion of the Independence plant, explaining why the bandwidth payments are properly recoverable under the AmerenUE contract, and explaining why the positions of FERC Staff and intervenors on the other issues should be rejected. A hearing is scheduled to commence in this proceeding on June 17, 2008, however, on May 6, 2008 the LPSC filed a motion requesting the opportunity to present additional evidence at the hearing or, in the alternative, that the hearing be delayed until August 5, 2008 and the LPSC be permitted to submit additional written testimony prior to the hearing..

The intervenor AmerenUE has argued that its current wholesale power contract with Entergy Arkansas, pursuant to which Entergy Arkansas sells power to AmerenUE, does not permit Entergy Arkansas to flow through to AmerenUE any portion of Entergy Arkansas' bandwidth payment. According to AmerenUE, Entergy Arkansas has sought to collect from AmerenUE approximately \$14.5 million of the 2007 Entergy Arkansas bandwidth payment. The AmerenUE contract is scheduled to expire in August 2009. In April 2008, AmerenUE filed a complaint with the FERC seeking refunds of this amount, plus interest, in the event the FERC ultimately determines that bandwidth payments are not properly recovered under the AmerenUE contract.