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Exelon Corporation Christopher Crane President and Chief Operating Officer Edison Electric Institute Financial Conference November 10-12, 2008

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4 Exelon Key Messages

Consistent with Exelon Protect and Grow Strategy

Earnings and cash accretion

Clear value creation

Meets NRG s Five Imperatives Exelon Financial Outlook

2009 operating guidance of \$4.00 - \$4.30/share

Managing costs and driving productivity

Significant uplift in 2011 - operating earnings of ~\$5.00-\$6.00/share

(1)

(1)

Illustrative. Provided solely to illustrate possible future outcomes that are based on a number of different assumptions, all of w uncertainties and should not be relied upon as earnings guidance or a forecast of future results.

Compelling Offer

for NRG

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A Compelling Opportunity for Value Creation

Exelon offered to acquire all outstanding common shares of NRG in an all stock transaction

Fixed exchange ratio of 0.485 Exelon share for each NRG common share

Offer

represents

a

37%

premium

to

October

17th

closing

price

for

NRG

Combined Entity Creates Value By:

Providing earnings and cash accretion

Creating an exceptional growth platform

Operating in the most attractive markets

Utilizing a premier balance sheet

Allowing Exelon to unlock NRG s value

Giving NRG s shareholders the opportunity to participate in future value

Presenting manageable regulatory hurdles to close

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Transaction Is Accretive

(1)

Does not include purchase accounting. One-time cost to achieve of ~\$100 million (pre-tax) and transaction and other costs of \$

(2)

Free

cash flow defined as cash flow from operations less capital expenditures.

(3)

Based solely on I/B/E/S estimates for Exelon and NRG as of 10/31/08. Not necessarily representative of either company s intillustration only. Not intended as earnings guidance or as a forecast of expected results.

(4)

Assumes refinancing of ~\$8 billion of NRG debt at an interest rate of 10%.

(5)

Pro forma numbers in Exelon s internal forecasts are somewhat lower and accretion is approximately breakeven in 2011. Operating Earnings

per

share

1

Free

cash

flow

2

per share

\$3.82

\$4.29

\$4.69

2010E

2011E

2012E

\$2.83

\$2.91

\$3.70

2010E

2011E

2012E

\$3.04

N/A

N/A

2010E

2011E

2012E

\$4.42

\$5.86

\$6.16

2010E

2011E

2012E

\$4.03

N/A N/A

2010E

2011E

2012E

32.5%

\$4.83

\$6.01

\$6.43

2010E

2011E

2012E

9.4%

2.5%

4.3%

Based on analyst consensus estimates for both companies, the deal will be accretive in the first full year following closing

Exelon NRG Pro forma 5

Synergies

Increased interest expense (4)

Synergies

Increased interest expense

(4)

3

3

1

2

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Combination Creates

Substantial Synergies

Exelon

Operations & Maintenance:

\$4,289

NRG

Maintenance & Other Opex:

\$950

General & Admin Expenses:

\$309

Other COGS:

\$454

Pro Forma Combined Non-fuel Expenses: \$6,002 Estimated Annual Cost Savings: \$180 \$300 % of Combined Expenses: 3%-5% Costs to Achieve \$100 NPV of Synergies: \$1,500-\$3,000 (\$ in Millions) Reflects no revenue or fuel cost synergies. Excludes transaction and other costs of \$654 million and excludes increased interest expense related to refinancing of NRG debt. (1) Company 10-K for 2007 and investor presentations. Based on a preliminary analysis of publicly available information. Subject to due diligence investigation. Transaction creates \$1.5 \$3 billion of value through synergies with opportunity for more

Clear Value under Multiple Scenarios

Gas price is long-term price in 2008 \$/MMBtu; coal price is long-term price in 2008 \$/ton for PRB8800 excluding transportation combined

cycle

cost

in

PJM

in

2008

overnight

\$/kW;

carbon

year

is

year

in

which

national cap $\quad \text{and} \quad$ trade starts; carbon price is in 2012 \$/tonne assuming 7% escalation; moderate recession assumes conditions consistent with current forward prices; and severe recession assumes five ye 8 Gas Prices New Build Costs Carbon Year/Price Recession \$0 \$6.50 \$1,300 Moderate 2014/\$22 \$7.30 \$1,100 Moderate 2020/\$22 \$7.10 \$1,100 Severe 2014/\$22 \$7.30 \$1,500 Moderate 2012/\$12 \$8.60 \$1,500 Moderate We look at fundamental value creation under a wide range of future commodity price scenarios and our analysis suggests \$1-3 billion, possibly more **Coal Prices** \$11.00 \$20.00 \$20.00 \$20.00 \$11.00

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Without

Premium

0

1,000

3,000

2,000

With

Premium

Conservative

DCF Estimate

Replacement

Costs

NRG Stock Value NRG Long-Term Value 975 1,350 2,050 3,000+Price per Kilowatt Comparison for Texas Baseload Generation Exelon Unlocks NRG Value Less than 45% of replacement value Even with premium, purchase price is 66% of conservative long-term DCF value subtracting value of other NRG assets from NRG enterprise value based on October 17 th close. \$/KW values are for 5,325 MW of Texas baseload

which includes Parish coal, Limestone, and STP; values implied by NRG stock price are determined by

10 World Class Nuclear & Fossil Operations High performing nuclear plant

Top quartile capacity factor 94.9%

Large, well-maintained, relatively young units Fossil fleet

Half of >500 MW coal units are top quartile capacity factor

90% of coal fleet lower-cost PRB and lignite NRG
Premier U.S. nuclear fleet

Best fleet capacity factor ~ 94%

Lowest fleet production costs ~ \$15 /MWh

Shortest fleet average refueling outage duration 24 days

Strong reputation for performance Exelon

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<1%

<1%

6%

Coal

Exelon

~150,000 GWh

Pro Forma

Exelon

~198,000 GWh

Nuclear

PRB & Lignite Coal Other Coal Gas/Oil Hydro/Other 2009 Historical Forward Coal Prices Combined Entity Will Continue to Benefit from Low Cost, Low Volatility Fuel Sources 0.00 1.00 2.00 3.00 4.00 5.00 6.00 Powder River Basin Northern Appalachian Central Appalachian **Production Costs** 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 2000 2001 2002 2003 2004 2005 2006 2007 Nuclear Gas Coal Petroleum 93% Nuclear 1% 3% 75% Nuclear 15% PRB & Lignite Coal 6% Other Coal

(1)

Q1 2007
Q2 2007
Q3 2007
Q4 2007
Q1 2008
Q2 2008
Q3 2008
Powder River Basin and lignite coal supply (90% of NRG s coal) provides low-sulfur at a relatively stable price as compared to northern and central Appalachian coal mines.
Combined fleet will continue to be predominantly low-cost fuel.

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Based on 2007 data, does not include ~38,000 GWh of Exelon Purchased Power.

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0
50
100
150
50
100
150
50
100
200
250
2006 Electricity Generated (GWh, in thousands)
NRG
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TVA **AEP** Duke **FPL** Southern Exelon + NRG Entergy Exelon Dominion **Progress** FirstEnergy Bubble size represents carbon intensity, expressed in terms of metric tons of CO2 per MWh generated SOURCE: EIA and EPA data as compiled by NRDC CO2 Emissions of Largest US Electricity Generators Largest Fleet, 2nd Lowest **Carbon Intensity** Top Generators by CO2 Intensity 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1 Exelon 2020 principles will be applied to the combined fleet **AEP** NRG Southern Duke FirstEnergy TVA **Progress** Dominion **FPL** Exelon + NRG Entergy Exelon 0.83 0.80 0.74 0.66 0.64

0.64

- 0.57
- 0.50
- 0.35
- 0.31
- 0.26
- 0.07

Financing Plan Considerations

Negotiated acquisition of NRG would require refinancing of only ~\$4B of NRG debt and other credit facilities

Under a negotiated deal with NRG, \$4.7B of NRG bonds could remain in place with no change in terms, but with substantially improved credit metrics for those bondholders

Exelon's relationships with many of NRG's banks should facilitate arrangements for new credit facilities

Financing commitments are well underway for refinancing

The NRG direct lien program for power marketing could be left in place

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Premier Balance Sheet
and Credit Metrics
Committed to returning Exelon Generation s senior unsecured debt
to strong investment grade within the next 3 years
Targeting
stronger
credit
metrics
for
the
combined
entity

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30% FFO/debt

sale proceeds, free cash flow

Pay down debt plan will include: NRG balance sheet cash, asset

Exelon NRG Today 2011 Credit Rating: BBB FFO / Debt: 25-30% Combined Entity Targets Credit Rating: BBB-FFO / Debt: 26% Credit Rating: B+FFO / Debt: 18% 2 3 1 (1) Ratios exclude securitized debt. Senior unsecured credit rating and FFO/Debt as of 10/31/08. Reflects S&P updated guidelines, which include imputed debt an power agreements, unfunded pension and other postretirement benefits obligations, capital adequacy for energy trading, operations, capital adequacy for energy trading, capital adequacy for energy f other off-balance sheet data. (3)From Standard & Poor s 8/28/08 CreditStats: Independent Power Producers & Energy Traders U.S.

15 Principal Regulatory Approvals and Expected Divestitures

Principal regulatory approvals:

Texas, New York, Pennsylvania, California state regulatory commissions

Hart-Scott-Rodino (DOJ/FTC)

FERC NRC Notice filing in Illinois Limited market power issues not expected to challenge transaction closing Divestitures anticipated only in PJM and ERCOT ~3,200 MWsof high heat rate gas and baseload coal plants and ~1,200 MWs under contract Model assumes \$1 billion of proceeds from divestitures (after-tax) Regulatory hurdles are manageable 1 (1) **Plants** subject to divestiture are de minimus contributors to

revenue

and earnings.

Exelon More Than Meets the Five Imperatives Outlined by NRG on May 28, 2008 1. 1. 2. 2. 3. 3. 4. 4.

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NRG s Stated Imperatives MUST

accumulate generation at competitive cost
This transaction accomplishes in one step what several
transactions might have accomplished for NRG in these
regards. Given the current difficulty in accessing capital
markets, it is unclear whether NRG would have the
ability to meet this objective without Exelon.
Exelon provides NRG stakeholders with broad trading
expertise and sound power marketing and risk
management practices. Exelon s significant experience
in markets with locational prices is particularly relevant
since ERCOT is moving to a PJM-type structure.
Exelon s breadth of operations and depth of service
allows unparalleled access to customers, retail
providers, and other sales channels.
NRG stakeholders become part of the most diversified

NRG stakeholders become part of the most diversified and competitive generation portfolio operating in 12 different states and 6 different regional transmission organizations.

Deal provides NRG stakeholders with significant value and upside and a share of the largest unregulated generation fleet in the United States.

MUST

be geographically diversified in multiple markets

MUST

develop and expand our route to market through contracting with retail load providers, trading, direct sales, etc

MUST

have sophisticated ability to trade, procure, hedge, and originate for electricity and input fuels MUST

develop depth and breadth in key markets, particularly across fuel types, transmission constraints and merit order Exelon Combination More than Meets These Imperatives

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of
future
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18 Appendix Additional Information regarding Offer for NRG

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Pro Forma

Exelon

Combined company will have requisite scope,

scale and financial strength to succeed in an

increasingly volatile energy market

Combination Will Result in Scope,

Scale and Financial Strength

(1)

Reflects total assets (under GAAP) with no adjustments. Based upon 9/30/08 Form 10-Q.

(2)

Reflects Last Twelve Months EBITDA (Earnings before Income Taxes, Depreciation and Amortization) as of 9/30/08 with no

(3)

Calculation

of

Enterprise

Value

Market Capitalization (as of 10/31/08) Total Debt (as of 6/30/08) Preferred Securities (as of 6/30/08) Minority Interest (as of 6/30/08)Cash & Cash Equivalents (as of 6/30/08). Debt, Preferred Securities, Minority Interest and Cash & Cash Equivalents based upon 6/30/08 Form 10-Q. (4) Includes owned and contracted capacity after giving effect to planned divestitures after regulatory approvals. \$0 \$30 \$50 \$60 \$40 \$20 \$70 \$10 Southern Dominion **FPL**

Duke

First

Energy

Entergy

\$68,900

Combined assets

(1)

\$9,400

LTM EBITDA

(2)

(\$ in millions)

\$63,000

Enterprise value

(3)

~51,000MWs

Generating capacity

(4)

Pro Forma Quick Stats

Market cap (as of 10/31/08)

\$41,200

Combination Enables Access to Attractive New Markets

By RTO

Combined

PJM

22,812

ERCOT

13,027

MISO

1,065

ISO NE

2,174

NYISO

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3,960
CAL ISO
2,085
Contracted*
6,280
51,403
SERC
2,405
WECC
45
Total
53,853
By Fuel Type
Combined
Nuclear
18,144
Coal
8,986
Gas/Oil
18,801
Other
1,642
Contracted
6,280
*Contracted in various RTOs, mainly in PJM and ERCOT
(1)
Excludes international assets. Before any divestitures.
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Geographically complementary asset base
Attractive new markets for Exelon (NY, NE,
CA): declining reserve margins, supportive
regulatory structures
Predominantly located in competitive
markets
ERCOT portfolio will position Exelon to offer
an array of products, capture value, and
efficiently utilize credit
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Exelon
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NRG

21 Nuclear Growth Opportunities

Texas offers nuclear growth platform

Potential for stretch power uprate (5-7%) on South Texas Project units 1 and 2

Construction & Operating License and Loan Guarantee applications filed for both STP 3 and 4 and Victoria County

Exelon has the financial strength and discipline to investigate these opportunities

Strong balance sheet and credit metrics

Demonstrated track record of financial rigor

Nuclear depth and expertise

Options to build remain under evaluation; no commitment has yet been made

22 Exelon 2020 and NRG

Expand internal energy efficiency, SF6, vehicle, and supply chain initiatives to NRG portfolio

Offset a portion of NRG s GHG emissions

Expand energy efficiency program offerings

Add capacity to existing nuclear units through uprates

Add new renewable generation

Add new gas-fired capacity

Continue to explore new nuclear

Address older/higher emitting coal and oil units

Invest in clean coal technology R&D Options to Evaluate: Taking the next step in Exelon s commitment to address climate change Offer more low carbon electricity in the marketplace Reduce emissions from coal/oil fired generation Help our customers and the communities we serve reduce their **GHG** emissions Reduce or offset our footprint by greening our operations Apply Elements of Exelon 2020 to **NRG** Expand the 2020

Plan

23 NRG is Best Investment Available 0% 4.0% 8.0% 12.0% 16.0% 0.0% 5.0% 10.0% 15.0% 20.0% 25.0%

(10.0%)

0% 5.0% 20.0% EBITDA / EV Yield Earnings Yield Free Cash Flow Yield **EXC** Illustrative Utilities NRG at Offer 2009E 2010E 7.9 10.2 11.8 10.6 8.1 11.4 11.9 10.7 **IPPs EXC** Illustrative Utilities NRG at Offer **IPPs EXC** Illustrative Utilities NRG at Offer **IPPs** 13.7 15.4 20.1 16.7 14.4 16.1 20.1 17.1 Source: FactSet. Prices as of 10/17/08, I/B/E/S estimates as of 10/31/08. EV = Enterprise Value (1) Illustrative Utilities include CMS, CNL, DPL, TE, WEC, WR.

IPPs include CPN, DYN, MIR, RRI.

4.3

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(3.1) 11.2 11.6 5.2 (6.2) 14.2 12.3 15.0% (5.0%) 1 2 2

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