

# **Entergy's 2017 Advocacy and Political Contributions Report**

#### **Political Contributions**

Entergy Corporation's success depends on sound public policies at the national, state and local levels. We are involved in a number of legislative initiatives in a broad spectrum of policy areas that can have an immediate and dramatic effect on our operations. Through our participation and that of our employees, we promote legislative and regulatory actions that further our business objectives.

Political contributions of all types are subject to extensive governmental regulation and public disclosure laws and reporting requirements. Entergy is fully committed to complying with all applicable campaign finance laws. Federal law prohibits Entergy and its subsidiaries from contributing to candidates for federal office. Some states, however, do permit corporate contributions to state and local candidates. All states permit corporate support of ballot issue campaigns.

Entergy's Board has adopted the Public Policy and Advocacy Policy (the "Public Advocacy Policy") which outlines our principles governing political and lobbying activities, including our policy prohibiting corporate contributions directly to federal, state or local candidates. Our policy does permit us to make corporate contributions to political associations, organizations, parties and political action committees, and to social welfare organizations ("Political Contributions"). At the state or local level, Political Contributions require the approval of the appropriate jurisdictional president and at the federal level, they require approval of our Senior Vice President, Federal Policy, Regulatory and Governmental Affairs.

In the interest of transparency for all of our stakeholders, Entergy is posting this report listing Entergy's contributions to political and social welfare organizations during the period January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 (the "Reporting Period"). All Political Contributions to the organizations disclosed in this report were made in accordance with Entergy's Public Policy and Advocacy Policy. This report also provides the amount of dues identified by trade associations and other similar non-profit organizations as being used for lobbying activities where Entergy paid annual dues of \$50,000 or more during the Reporting Period. The Corporate Governance Committee of Entergy's Board of Directors has reviewed and approved this report.

### **2017 Political Contributions**

During the Reporting Period, Entergy made contributions to the following organizations.

Political Committees and Organizations		Amount
Arkansas Republican Party		\$8,500
Democratic Governors Association		\$10,000
Mississippi Democratic Party		\$1,000
Mississippi Republican Party		\$1,000
Republican Governors Association		\$10,000
Texas House Republican Legislative Caucus		\$2,500
П	Total	\$33,000

Social Welfare Organizations	Amount
Center for Legislative Energy and Environmental Research	\$3,000
Congressional Black Caucus Political Education & Leadership	\$40,000
Institute	
Congressional Institute	\$27,500
Experience Mississippi	\$22,500
LA 1 Coalition	\$2,500
Louisiana Municipal Association	\$5,000
National Action Network, Inc.	\$5,000
Texas Taxpayers and Research Association	\$30,000
Third Way	\$25,000
Westchester County Association	\$85,000
Total	\$245,500

## **Independent Expenditures**

During the Reporting Period, Entergy and its subsidiaries did not make any direct independent expenditures and did not make any payments to influence the outcome of any ballot measures.

### **Trade Associations**

Entergy is a member of certain trade associations that may use a portion of their membership dues for lobbying and/or political expenditures. Listed below are the trade associations that Entergy and its subsidiaries paid dues of \$50,000 or more in 2017 and the portion of those dues identified by those entities that were used for lobbying and/or political expenditures and were not deductible under Section 162(e)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Name of Recipient	Portion of Dues Not Deductible
Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce/Associated Industries of	\$18,180
Arkansas	
Association of Electric Companies of Texas	\$75,555
Business Council of Westchester	\$4,217
Edison Electric Institute	\$286,421
Independent Power Producers of New York	\$1,944
Mississippi Economic Council	\$20,000

Name of Recipient	Portion of Dues Not Deductible
New England Power Generators Association, Inc.	\$15,000
North American Electric Reliability Corporation	\$1,506
Nuclear Energy Institute	\$137,615
Safe Healthy Affordable Reliable Energy in New York	\$6,175
U.S. Chamber of Commerce	\$67,500
Utility Solid Waste Activities Group	\$5,985
Vermont Energy Partnership	\$450
Western Coal Traffic League	\$2,200
Total	\$642,748

#### **Entergy Political Action Committees**

While federal law and some state laws prohibit corporations from making political contributions to candidates, corporations can establish political action committees that are funded solely through voluntary employee contributions to make such contributions. Entergy established the Entergy Corporation Political Action Committee ("ENPAC") to promote good citizenship and further business interests that are of concern to all of Entergy's stakeholders, including its owners, customers, employees and communities. ENPAC is a voluntary organization open to all Entergy employees who are defined as executive, professional or administrative personnel. ENPAC is independent of any political party or candidate.

ENPAC is governed and operated by employees of Entergy and is comprised of six committees representing ENPAC members in each of our four state retail jurisdictions, as well as a Federal committee and a Nuclear committee. Each state committee has a local board or steering committee responsible for reviewing and approving state and local political contribution requests. The Federal committee reviews and recommends federal political contribution requests. Entergy provides limited administrative support to ENPAC. ENPAC contributions go directly to support political candidates at both the state and federal levels. Information about ENPAC is available on the website of the Federal Election Commission at <a href="https://www.fec.gov">www.fec.gov</a>.

Entergy also has established a separate state PAC in the State of New York, the Entergy Corporation Political Action Committee--New York ("ENPAC-NY"). Establishment of a separate state PAC in New York was necessary because New York State law requires an in-state bank account and residence for the treasurer in order to contribute to New York state and local candidates. ENPAC-NY has a local board that is responsible for reviewing and approving contribution requests. ENPAC-NY only gives to state and local candidates. Additional disclosure information about ENPAC-NY is available on the website of the New York Board of Elections at <a href="https://www.elections.ny.gov">www.elections.ny.gov</a>.

#### Federal and State Lobbying Activity

Entergy believes that it has a legitimate interest in participating in the legislative and regulatory process at the federal, state, and local levels of government when such participation is in the best interest of the Company and its stakeholders. The Company's federal lobbying activities are

overseen by the Company's Senior Vice President – Federal Policy, Regulatory and Governmental Affairs who also approves the participation or the engagement of individuals and/or entities that perform any federal lobbying activities on our behalf. At the state and local level, these activities must be approved by the applicable subsidiary's Vice President for External or Governmental Affairs.

Entergy and its subsidiaries fully comply with all federal, state and local lobbying registration and disclosure requirements, which include filing all required reports with Congress and with the applicable state ethics agencies. These reports on federal lobbying activities are readily available for public review on the websites of the U.S. House (<a href="www.house.gov">www.house.gov</a>) and the U.S. Senate (<a href="www.senate.gov">www.senate.gov</a>) and provide information on activities associated with influencing legislation through communication with any member or employee of Congress or with any covered executive branch official. The federal reports also provide disclosure on lobbying expenditures for the applicable quarter, describe the specific pieces of legislation that were the topic of communications, and identify the employees who were registered to lobby on behalf of Entergy or any of its subsidiaries. Entergy's subsidiaries and their registered lobbyists also comply with all state and local reporting and disclosure requirements related to state and local public official interactions and expenditures. Reports at the state level are available for review at the applicable state ethics agencies.