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Entergy ETHC Merger Company Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, As Amended by Section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

DA 97-1112

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On May 23, 1997, Entergy ETHC Merger Company, pursuant to Section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 ("PUHCA"), as added by Section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a Commission determination that it is an "exempt telecommunications company" ("ETC"). Entergy ETHC Merger Company is a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Entergy Corporation, a registered holding company under PUHCA.

Persons wishing to file comments regarding the adequacy or accuracy of Entergy ETHC Merger's application requesting status as an ETC must do so no later than **June 11**, **1997**. All comments should also be served on the applicant. Reply comments must be filed no later than **June 18**, **1997**. All filings concerning any of the matters referenced in this Public Notice should refer to File No. ETC-97-8. The application will be available for public inspection Monday through Friday in Room 658, 1919 M St., N.W., Washington, D.C. Copies may be purchased by calling International Transcription Services, Inc., (ITS) at (202) 857-3800. For further information regarding this application, contact Lawrence Spiwak in the Competition Division of the Office of General Counsel at (202) 418-1870.

By the Acting Chief, Competition Division, Office of General Counsel.