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This Schedule 14A filing consists of the following communications relating to the proposed acquisition of Talen Energy Corporation (the “Company”) pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger with RPH Parent LLC, SPH Parent LLC, CRJ Parent LLC, RJS Merger Sub Inc. and the Company:

(i) Message to Employees from Talen CEO Paul Farr

(ii) FAQ for Proxy Vote for Employees

September 30, 2016

Proxy vote message for employees

Employee message from President and CEO Paul Farr: Merger update

We made considerable progress this summer on actions needed to complete the merger with affiliates of Riverstone Holdings LLC. I am writing this message to update you on the transaction and one important part in which many of you have the opportunity to be directly involved.

First, I want to convey my appreciation, on behalf of the entire senior management team, for maintaining your focus on safety, excellence, teamwork, innovation and integrity in this period of transition. It is a great credit to you that your energy and attention continue to be on the safe performance of your jobs, the reliable operation of our plants, and the advancement of key elements in our business strategy.

Our immediate business priority is to obtain the required regulatory and stockholder approvals to complete the merger. Considerable time and effort is going into achieving the required approvals, and keeping the transaction on track to close by the end of 2016.

Because many of you own Talen Energy common stock, you have the opportunity to vote on the merger. Stockholders of record as of September 1 received proxy statements earlier this month that contain detailed information about the merger agreement and the matters on which stockholders are being asked to vote. A special meeting of stockholders to consider the merger has been scheduled for October 6.

Every stockholder's vote is important. If you own Talen Energy common stock and have not already voted, I encourage you to do so by mail, Internet or telephone before October 6. Instructions were included with the proxy statement. If you are one of the many employees who hold Talen Energy common stock in accounts managed by Fidelity Investments, you can vote by signing into your Fidelity account and following the links provided. It's important to note that only stockholders of record as of September 1 are eligible to vote. Employees do not have voting rights with respect to Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) unless they have vested and shares have been delivered in respect of the RSUs. Therefore, you will not have any voting rights with respect to RSUs you were granted that had not vested by September 1. If you need assistance in voting, you can call Georgeson LLC, the proxy solicitor for the special meeting, at 866-741-9588.

After the meeting, we will share the results of the voting with you and update you on the remaining steps needed to complete the merger.

Please continue to work safely and help everyone around you be safe as well.

Paul Farr

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Talen Energy and certain of its directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from the stockholders of Talen Energy in connection with the proposed transaction. Information about the directors and executive officers of Talen Energy is set forth in its proxy statement for its 2016 annual meeting of stockholders, which was filed with the SEC on April 12, 2016. This document can be obtained free of charge from the sources indicated above. Other information regarding the participants in the proxy solicitation and a description of their direct and indirect interests, by security holdings or otherwise, is contained in the proxy statement.

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September 30, 2016

Proxy vote talking points for Talen Energy managers and supervisors

Talking points

Talen Energy continues to focus on achieving the required regulatory and stockholder approvals to complete the merger with affiliates of Riverstone Holdings LLC that was announced in June.

In early September, Talen Energy mailed proxy statements and ballots to all stockholders of record as of September 1, 2016. Stockholder approval is required to complete the transaction.

- A special meeting of stockholders has been scheduled for October 6 in New York.

Many Talen Energy employees own common stock, which was either received at spinoff based on the PPL stock they owned, purchased since spinoff, or granted as Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) or through the incentive compensation program, which were settled into shares of common stock.

- o Owners of common stock received a proxy statement and ballot in the mail.

- o Fidelity Investments sent a notice with a link to the materials to owners of stock in accounts managed by Fidelity.

It's important that all stockholders vote on the matters related to the merger. There are multiple ways to vote: by mail, on the Internet or by phone, or by logging into your Fidelity account and following the links provided. Talen Energy encourages stockholders to vote before the October 6 stockholder meeting.

- o Stockholders of record as of September 1, 2016 are eligible to vote on the proposals.

- o RSUs that were not vested as of September 1, 2016 are not eligible to vote.

- o The proxy statement provides detailed information about the merger agreement and the matters that stockholders are voting on.

Assistance is available from Georgeson LLC, the proxy solicitor for the stockholder meeting, at 866-741-9588, if you own stock and have questions.

Q&A (if asked questions)

What are stockholders voting on?

There are three matters on which stockholders are voting. The first is a proposal to approve the merger. The second is a proposal to adjourn the stockholder meeting, if appropriate, to solicit additional votes if not enough votes have been cast at the time the meeting takes place. The third is a non-binding proposal on executive compensation related to a change in control of the company.

Are unvested RSUs eligible to vote?

RSUs are generally not eligible to vote, unless they have vested and shares have been delivered in respect of RSUs. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on the record date (September 1, 2016) are eligible to vote on the proposals, and shares delivered in respect of RSUs are treated as ordinary voting shares for this purpose. RSUs that have not had shares delivered as of September 1, 2016 are not eligible to vote.

How should I vote on the proposals?

Your vote is a personal decision. The Board of Directors has recommended voting in favor of each proposal.

What vote is required for stockholder approval, since Riverstone entities already own 35% of the common stock?

Approval of the merger proposal requires an affirmative vote by a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote AND a majority of the outstanding shares not currently owned by Riverstone and its affiliates present in person or by proxy at the special meeting.

How can I see a copy of the proxy statement?

If you don't have the statement that was mailed to you, a copy can be viewed on the Talen Energy website (www.talenenergy.investorroom.com).

Why is the meeting being held in New York and not locally?

The vast majority of Talen Energy shares are held by institutional investors, not individual investors. New York is a more convenient location for many of the stockholders.

Can employees attend the stockholder meeting?

Anyone who owned shares of Talen Energy common stock as of Sept. 1, 2016, is eligible to attend the stockholder meeting. However, there are multiple ways for a stockholder to vote a proxy without attending the meeting in person. The meeting is being conducted during normal business hours. Any employee stockholder who wants to attend would have to do so on his/her own time.

Is the merger completed when stockholders vote?

No. The merger is still subject to approval by several regulatory agencies, including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

What happens if the stockholders vote against the merger, or if it's not completed?

If the merger is not approved by stockholders or not completed for any other reason, stockholders will not receive payment for their common stock shares (\$14 per share) in connection with the merger. Talen Energy would remain a public company and its stock would continue to be listed and traded on the New York Stock Exchange as long as the company meets the NYSE's listing requirements.

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