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FPL EYES \$210M PRIVATE WIND OFFERING

FPL Group is aiming to arrange debt for a pair of wind farms totaling nearly 200 MW in North Dakota and Oklahoma. **BNP Paribas** is said to have been selected to structure either a \$210 million private placement of notes, depending on market appetite for the paper, or a similarly-sized term loan, says one deal tracker. FPL funded construction of the facilities, known as Wilton Wind Energy and Weatherford Wind Energy, on its books last year but wants to raise debt against the operational projects, which have long-term PPAs with offtakers that maintain investment grade credits. The Juno Beach, Fla., company has blazed a trail in financing wind assets in the bond market (PFR, 2/14, 7/28/03).

The financing will be via a holding company called **Bison Wind**. **Paul Cutler**, treasurer at FPL, did not return a call for comment, nor did BNP officials in New York.

PPAs with **Basin Electric Cooperative**, and one with **American Electric Power** subsidiary

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ENERGY VET LAUNCHES FUND



Peter Fusaro

Peter Fusaro, chairman of New York-based **Global Change Associates** and co-founder of The Woodlands, Texas-based **Energy Hedge Fund Center**, has formed **Energy Environment Capital Management**, a New York-based hedge fund of funds firm. According to *PFR* sister publication, *Alternative Investment News*, it is launching its flagship multi-strategy long/short equity *Energy Environment Fund* with a \$500 million target. The fund will pursue emissions trading, renewable energy credits and investments in clean technology and energy companies.

Fusaro will manage the fund alongside **Gary Vasey**, the other co-founder of the **Energy Hedge Fund Center**. Neither is believed to have managed money before. The pair most recently co-authored *Energy and Environmental Hedge Funds-The New Investment Paradigm*,

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AIRTRICITY CANVASSES FOR \$175M TURBINE LOAN

Airtricity is looking for a loan in the \$175 million range to fund wind turbines for its 2007 projects. The developer asked prospective lenders to submit proposals, which were due last week. A call to **Ciaran O'Brien**, senior v.p. in Chicago, was not returned. Additional details on the debt could not be learned.

In the past, **HSH Nordbank**, **Dexia Cr dit Local** and **HypoVereinsbank** have been considered for financings for the renewables outfit. Details on the planned wind farms could not be ascertained including specifics on siting, MW capacity and potential offtakers.

Airtricity is expected to approach banks this month for about \$500-600 million in short-term financing for wind farms in Colorado, New Mexico and Texas (PFR, 4/10). Bankers familiar with the current RFP expect this turbine supply loan to be followed by a larger construction financing.

— M.S.

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At Press Time Noble Zeros In On \$700M Financing Lead

Noble Environmental Power has received all bids for its nearly \$700 million financing facility and will be making its official choice soon. Observers have pointed to **Dexia Crédit Local** as the front-runner. **Chuck Hinckley**, ceo at the Essex, Conn.-based wind developer, says the wind shop is still evaluating candidates and will announce a winner imminently. Calls to officials at Dexia were not returned.

Noble, which is majority owned by **J.P. Morgan Partners**, was looking for financing for four wind farms, totaling about 300 MW. The company had asked about 10 institutions for proposals and was looking for about \$445 million in senior secured debt and \$232 million in tax equity (PFR, 4/24). HVB already provided a \$153 million turbine loan earlier this year, which could be restructured as it obtains its new debt.

The facilities include a 67-turbine wind park in Altona, N.Y. totaling 100 MW, a similarly sized facility in Clinton, as well as a 79.5 MW facility in Ellenburg.

Ormat To Tap Project Mart For Geo Build



An Ormat Geothermal Plant

Ormat Technologies expects to hit the non-recourse debt market in the fall to fund a portfolio of to-be-constructed geothermal plants. **Rany Raviv**, v.p. of business development at Ormat, says it is in the early stages of plotting construction but it will ask banks to submit lending proposals as plans crystallize.

Although Raviv declined to discuss project specifics, in the past the Reno,

Nev., energy shop has concentrated U.S. development activity on its home state as well as California. It also operates generation facilities internationally including in the Philippines.

Previous financings have involved Ormat tapping the private placement market to shop non-investment grade bonds, including a pair of deals it has completed for plants Heber I-II via **Lehman Brothers**.

Last week, Ormat announced that it inked a 20-year PPA with **Sierra Pacific Power** to take capacity at Galena No. 3—a new 15-25 MW geothermal plant in northern Nevada.

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Armajaro PM To Launch Commodity Fund

Chris Brodie, former senior portfolio manager at commodity trading and financial services firm **Armajaro Group**, is preparing to roll out a fund at London-based start-up **Krom River Partners**. The fund will be a discretionary multi-commodity offering, which includes energy and power, and will launch in June with \$10-40 million, says Brodie, cio. Investors have been lined up, most of which are funds of funds, and the fund will be soft-closed at \$40 million.

Krom River will reopen the fund three-six months after the soft-closing, said Brodie. The firm initially wants "to bed down systems" and absorb the first \$40 million, he explains. The fund will charge a 2/20 fee structure with a \$100,000 investment minimum.

Pricing Emerges On Horizon Wind Loan

Bayerische Landesbank and **Goldman Sachs** have unveiled starting pricing of LIBOR plus 1 3/8% for a 15-year, \$263 million loan for **Horizon Wind Energy**. The deal, which backs two wind farms in Oklahoma and New York, then steps up incrementally, topping out at LIBOR plus 250 near the end of the loan's life. BLB officials declined comment and Goldman officials did not return calls. A call for **Alec Dreyer**, ceo of Horizon in Houston, was not returned.

About 13 banks were invited to the meeting and are being asked to commit about \$25 million. The loan will help finance the Blue Canyon II project in Southwestern Oklahoma and the Maple Ridge facility in Lewis County, N.Y., which Horizon co-owns with **PPM Energy**. The Oklahoma facility is fully contracted, while some of the power from the New York's facility is slated to be sold on a merchant basis.

Topaz Power Seen Offloading Non-Coleto Assets

Carlyle/Riverstone and **Sempra Energy** are getting close to offloading the remaining assets in holding entity **Topaz Power Group**. Topaz was the vehicle that housed the coveted Texas coal-fired Coleto Creek plant which was acquired by **American National Power** (PFR, 4/24). The bids appear to be from parties more attracted to the ground beneath the facilities, with one official saying some buyers plan to decommission the facilities if they acquire them.

The 3 GW of natural-gas and oil-fired ERCOT plants were assigned little value when the duo originally bought the

portfolio from **American Electric Power** in March 2004 (PFR, 3/14/2004)

Art Larson, a spokesman for San Diego-based **Sempra**, declined to comment. **Pierre Lapeyre**, co-head of **Riverstone** in New York, did not return a call for comment. **Jeff Taufield**, spokesman for boutique sales advisor **Greenhill & Co.** at public relations firm **Kekst & Co.**, did not comment or make **Greenhill** officials available.

The plants, all in Texas, total 2,921 MW, but some are not currently firing. Four of the operating plants have must-run stipulations while three others are merchant. The plants include the 697 MW B.M. Davis plant in Corpus Christi, a 182 MW plant known as J.L. Bates in Mission and a 255 MW plant in San Benito called La Palma.

Final Northeast Bids Due June

Finals bids for **Northeast Utilities'** wholesale generation business are due June 12. The staple financing package being put together by auction manager **JPMorgan Chase** is believed to be north of \$800 million, says a banker familiar with the sale. **Carlyle/Riverstone Holdings** and **Brscan Power** have surfaced as bidders invited to the second round (PFR, 5/8). **Paul Dabbar**, managing director at JPMorgan in New York, declined to comment. **David McHale**, cfo at Berlin, Conn.-based **NU**, did not return a call for comment.

Harbert Eyes Primary Energy

Harbert Management is taking aim at **American Securities Capital Partners'** stake in Oak Brook, Ill., generator **Primary Energy Ventures**. It is unclear which Harbert entity is making the bid, but hedge fund **Harbert Distressed Investment Master Fund** has made a spate of investments in energy including taking interest in deals for **Calpine** and **InterGen** (PFR, 9/15). The company also runs a sector-focused investment vehicle **Harbert Power**.

Jack Paris, v.p. at broker **Lehman Brothers** in New York, declined to comment. **Philip Falcone**, senior managing director on the event/distressed investment team at **Harbert**, did not return a call nor did **Michael Fisch**, managing director at **American Securities**, and **William Johnson**, executive v.p. at **Primary**.

Other bidders in the second round include **Carlyle/Riverstone Holdings** and **Brscan Power** (PFR, 5/8), which is now a part of Manhattan-based **Brookfield Asset Management**. Definitive bids are due June 15. Thus far, the auction has drawn first-round offers in excess of \$400 million for **American Securities'** more than 70% stake (PFR, 5/1).

Energy East Looks To Land Better Terms

Energy East plans on reworking \$775 million in revolving debt at the holding company and subsidiary levels. The company refinanced its credit lines nearly a year ago and boosted capacity in order to manage spiking gas prices in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. **Howard Coon**, director of corporate finance in Portland, Maine, says it is opting to revisit the market because it can squeeze more amenable terms from its lenders.

Energy East is hoping for reductions of 1-2 basis points for undrawn funds and 5-10 basis points when funds are put to work. Debt for the hold co. supports commercial paper issuance and serves as working capital at the operating level. Pricing is based on a grid tied to company's various credit ratings.

Wachovia has been selected to lead the retooling, which will include tweaking of an amendment in the credit agreement but will not include an upsizing. Coon says Energy East wants to include a stipulation in its new agreement that will allow so-called hybrid securities to be calculated as equity on its balance sheet by its lenders—a favorable term because the amount of debt it reflects on its books impacts borrowing costs. Although the entity is considering such an issuance, the treasurer says it is not a near-term plan and declined to elaborate further.

Coon declined to talk about existing pricing on the line. Energy East's \$300 million line is priced at 67.5 basis points over LIBOR with a facility fee of 20 basis points, according to *Bloomberg*. The company also maintains a \$475 million line shared among seven of Energy East's holding entities including

Central Maine Power. The deal is expected to be launched today and should be wrapped by the end of the month, says the official.

Also on deck for East Energy is a planned refinancing of 30-year, hybrid trust preferred securities totaling \$345 million (PFR, 9/26). Issued about five years ago via **Morgan Stanley** and **UBS** to help fund its acquisition of **Rochester Gas and Electric**, the debt carries a coupon of 8 1/4%. It can be refinanced without penalty at par, Coon says.

Wachovia and **Banc of America Securities** have been tapped for refinancing the debt with a long-dated, non-amortizing security, Coon notes, declining to provide details including size, terms or timing. Wachovia and BofA have been longstanding lenders to the company, he adds.

DZ Aims To Bulk In Houston

DZ Bank is considering adding to its Houston office to support oil and natural gas business. **Bill Roos**, senior v.p. and head of the origination and syndication in New York, says the aim is to find a staffer with three or four years of exposure in oil and gas who can support **Scott Lamoreaux**, v.p., who was hired last year to launch the Houston initiative (PFR, 8/4).

Via Houston, DZ has participated on approximately five deals totaling about \$125 million, Roos says. "We'd love to lead arrange deals, but you have to walk before you run. We're moving into new territory [in oil and gas], so you need to participate before you lead," he explains. He declined to say when DZ hoped to make its hire.

Roos says the bank is comfortably staffed in New York. "We're in good shape right now," he adds, noting that DZ weighed in before adding in New York before deciding on Houston.

Corporate Strategies

Allegheny Unit To Bag Rate Savings Via Loan Refi

Allegheny Energy Supply has reworked \$1.1 billion in debt due 2011, trimming loan capacity and slashing rates. Since the **Allegheny Energy** subsidiary was able to score cheaper rates in the refinancing it expects to clear nearly \$6 million in interest rate savings with the new \$967 million loan package, says **Max Kuniansky**, executive director of investor relations and corporate communications for Allegheny Energy in Greensburg, Pa. He declined to make treasury officials available.

Led by **Citigroup**, **The Bank of Nova Scotia** and **Banc of America Securities**, the new five-year financing is split into two tranches: a \$200 million senior revolving credit facility and a \$767 million senior term loan priced at LIBOR plus 87.5 basis

points. The original debt, obtained last July, was priced at LIBOR plus 150 basis points and was obtained for general corporate purposes.

Anesh Prabhu, an analyst at **Standard & Poor's** in New York, says pricing on the loan was trimmed because Allegheny Energy Supply's credit rating improved from B to BB+ since it first obtained the debt, giving the unit reason to refinance. Kuniansky notes that the rate will see additional cuts should credit rates improve further.

Kuniansky would not say how much debt Allegheny Energy Supply maintains but says the consolidated company has a goal of improving its EBITDA. Currently, the consolidated company has an EBITDA to interest rate of 3.2X and a debt to EBITDA of 4.3X, which it would like to improve by next year to more than 4.0X and 3.5X, respectively.

Garden State Utility Hawks Long Bonds

Jersey Central Power & Light has sold \$200 million of 30-year 6.4% senior secured debt in order to help pay down maturing debt, says **Matt Richlovski**, finance manager at parent **FirstEnergy** in Akron, Ohio.

Richlovski says FirstEnergy had to wait until it filed its quarterly financial statement with the **Securities and Exchange Commission** last week. Jersey Central has a \$150 million 6.45% senior secured offering due May 15 and a \$40 million 6.85% first-mortgage tranche maturing in November. He notes the flat yield curve makes 30-year paper attractive. The debt was priced to yield 115 basis points over comparable Treasuries. Relationship banks **RBS Greenwich Capital** and **UBS** led the sale.

The notes, which are backed by first mortgage bonds, may become unsecured when the utility's first-mortgage bonds represent less than 20% of the total secured obligations. **Randy Scilla**, assistant treasurer, anticipates this could happen in the fall, when the \$40 million first-mortgage tranche matures. The notes are rated BBB+ by **Standard & Poor's**, but would receive a BBB rating if they were unsecured.

The offering was oversubscribed by about \$900 million, but the utility did not have the regulatory authority to upsize it. Richlovski says Jersey Central has no other offerings planned for this year, but other units will be refinancing significant amounts of maturing debt. Jersey Central has a debt-to-capitalization ratio of approximately 30:70. Richlovski says that

it wants to maintain its BBB+ credit rating from S&P as it aims to bring its ratio to 50:50.

Progress Asset Auction To Aid Debt Reduction

Progress Energy plans on using around \$405 million in proceeds from its sale of a pair of generation facilities to **Southern Co.** to help pay down some \$1.3 billion of debt. **Tom Sullivan**, treasurer in Raleigh, N.C., says about \$4 billion in debt will be trimmed over the near term via asset sales and the offloading of non-core businesses. He declined to specify particular debt the company is looking to pay down.

Atlanta-based Southern will acquire the **DeSoto County Generating Co.** a holding entity for a 320 MW dual-fuel facility in DeSoto County, Fla., and **Rowan County Power** in Salisbury, N.C., which owns a 925 MW dual-fired combined-cycle facility in Rowan County, N.C.

The sale of DeSoto is expected to be completed in the second quarter, and the sale of Rowan is expected to close the following quarter due to Southern completing negotiations for additional power agreements. DeSoto is contracted to **Florida Power & Light** and the Rowan facility is contracted to **Duke Power** and **North Carolina Municipal Power Agency Number 1**.

Sullivan says the company is expecting about \$405 million from the sale, but notes the figure could change due to various working capital expenditures that come along with sales, which is subject to state and federal regulatory approvals.

Financing Record (MAY 3-MAY 9)

Debt

144A	Issued	Issuer	Business Description	Principal(\$M)	Coupon(%)	Security	Maturity	Price	YTM(%)	Spread	S&P	Moody's	Fitch
Yes	5/4/06	Atlas Pipeline Partners LP	Own,op natural gas pipelines	35	8.125	Senior Notes	12/15/15	103	7.678	245	B+	B1	NR
Yes	5/9/06	Jersey Central Power & Light	Electric services	200	6.4	Fst Mtg Bonds	5/15/36	99.392	6.446	115	A+	A2	NR
Yes	5/9/06	Nevada Power Co	Electric utility	250	6.5	Notes	5/15/18	99.703	6.536	141	BBB	Baa3	BBB

M&A

Announced	Effective	Target Name	Target Advisors	Target Nation	Acquiror Name	Acquiror Industry Sector	Acquiror Nation	Value (\$M)
5/3/06		Select Energy-Retail Mktg Bus	JPMorgan	United States	Amerada Hess Corp	Oil and Gas; Petroleum Refining	United States	
5/4/06	5/4/06	BilboGas SA		Spain	Naturgas Energia	Oil and Gas; Petroleum Refining	Spain	
5/4/06	5/4/06	MC-Wichita Falls Facility		United States	Signal Hill Power LLC	Electric, Gas, and Water Distribution	United States	
5/4/06	5/4/06	Enertolima		Colombia	Empresa del Combeima	Investment & Commodity Firms, Dealers,Exchanges	Colombia	105.939
5/4/06	5/4/06	Wind to Market		Spain	Grupo CIMD SA	Investment & Commodity Firms, Dealers,Exchanges	Spain	3.76
5/5/06		Spider Energy SA		Greece	Mytilineos Holdings SA	Metal and Metal Products	Greece	
5/6/06		Stadtwerke Cuxhaven		Germany	EWE AG	Electric, Gas, and Water Distribution	Germany	
5/8/06	5/8/06	Inversora Diamante		Argentina	Frigorifico La Pampa SA	Food and Kindred Products	Argentina	
5/8/06	5/8/06	Inversora Nihuilis		Argentina	Frigorifico La Pampa SA	Food and Kindred Products	Argentina	35.5
5/8/06	5/8/06	Mirant Global Corp		Philippines	First Metro Investment Corp	Investment & Commodity Firms, Dealers,Exchanges	Philippines	
5/8/06		Progress Energy-Natural-Gas		United States	Southern Co Inc	Electric, Gas, and Water Distribution	United States	405
5/9/06		UBA		Thailand	Nawarat Patanakarn PCL	Construction Firms	Thailand	0.255

Source: **Thomson Financial Securities Data Company**. For more information, call **Rich Peterson** at (212) 806-3144.

PFR'S FIFTH ANNUAL POWER PROJECT FINANCE AWARDS RENEWABLES NOMINATIONS

PFR is revealing its renewable nominees for our annual project finance awards, acknowledging the most innovative and noteworthy in the green energy arena.

Although significant deal completions in the sector were thin last year, as some developers waited for the renewal of production tax credits, a pair of financings earned distinction. Winners across all project finance categories will be announced next week. To have your say, email Managing Editor Mark DeCambre at mdecambre@iineews.com before time runs out.

BEST RENEWABLES

Invenergy Wind

Sponsor: **Invenergy**

Assets: Trio of wind farms

Leads: **Dexia Crédit Local**

Dexia's \$390.4 million financing package for Invenergy was the largest syndicated non-recourse bank financing in North America and was also the first non-recourse turbine financing. Lauded for innovative features that included the tax equity portion that does not fund until the projects were complete, the deal brought in 10 banks and was widely considered a notable deal.

Jim Murphy, cfo at Chicago-based Invenergy, also highlights the portfolio structure. "It eliminated financing costs by...financing three projects at once," he says. **Tim Ononiwu**, v.p. project finance at Dexia, worked on the transaction.

The wind farms include: the 135 MW Judith Gap wind farm in Judith Gap, Colo., the 60 MW Spring Canyon farm near Peetz, Colo., and the 64.5 MW Wolverine Creek facility in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

Ormat California Geothermal Plants

Sponsor: **Ormat Technologies**

Assets: Geothermal Facilities

Lead: **Lehman Brothers**

Ormat's \$165 million privately placed refinancing stands out because its sponsor was able to capture pricing and terms markedly improved from a loan originally underwritten by **Beal Bank** two years prior, despite maintaining a dicey element of merchant risk typical in the California region.

Rany Raviv, v.p. of business development in Reno, Nev., says the geothermal developer, which is an affiliate of Israeli-based **Ormat Industries**, is particularly happy with the outcome of the deal led by **Jack Paris**, v.p. at Lehman in New York. "From the structuring through the [credit] rating

process, we were very pleased with [Paris'] interaction with us during the deal," he notes.

The all-in effective rate was 5.75% on the debt due 2020, compared to the original loan priced at either the greater of 7.125-7.6% or 512.5bp over three-month LIBOR, with the margin stepping up over time. **Moody's Investors Service** rated the deal Ba1 and Fitch BBB-. The rating fell below expectations but Paris says investor demand was strong enough to take down more than the \$165 million Ormat shopped to investors. The Lehman banker notes **Len Rosen**, managing director at Lehman in Israel, also worked on the deal.

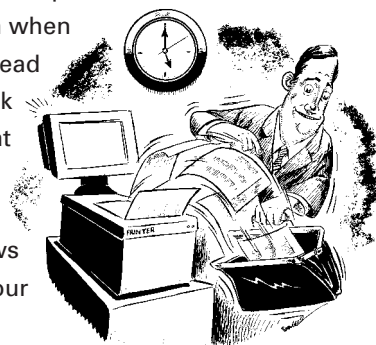
Ormat acquired the geothermal facilities in December 2003 paying \$214 million to **Covanta Energy**, which were sold as part of a bankruptcy court-ordered auction. It financed the purchase through a \$154 million loan from Beal Bank due 2019.

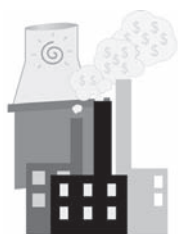
The portfolio consists of 100 MW Heber I-II power plants in Imperial County and a 10 MW southern California facility known as Gould. **Southern California Public Power Authority** and **Southern California Edison** are the offtakers.



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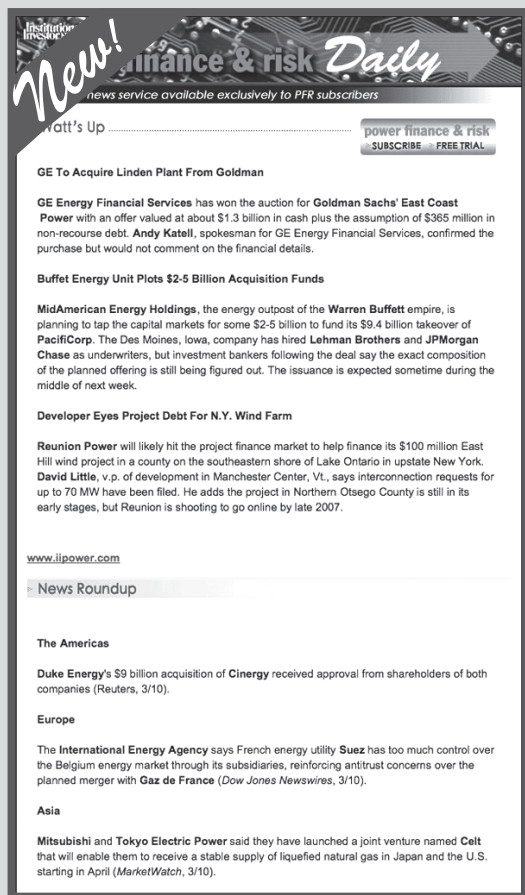




Generation Auction & Sale Calendar

Following is a directory of ongoing generation asset sales. The accuracy of the information, which is derived from many sources, is deemed reliable but cannot be guaranteed. To report new auctions or changes in the status of a sale, please call Mark DeCambre, managing editor, at (212) 224-3293 or e-mail mdecambre@iinews.com.

Seller	Plants	Location	MW	Plant Type	Advisor	Status
Atlantic City Electric Company	B.L.England	New Jersey	447	Coal	Concentric Advisors	
	Key Stone	Pa.	-	Coal		
	Conenaugh	Pa.	-	Coal		
American Securities Capital Partners	Approximately 70% Stake In Primary Energy Ventures	Oak Brook, Ill.	900	Various	Bank of America	Second-Round Bids Are In
Aquila	Racoon Creek	Ill.	340	Gas	Not chosen	Intention To Sell.
	Goose Creek	Ill.	340	Gas		
	Crossroads	Miss.	340	Gas		
Bear Stearns	Mulberry	Fla.	120	Gas	Bear Stearns	Sold to Northern Star Gen.
	Orange	Fla.	103	Gas	Bear Stearns	
BP	Great Yarmouth	U.K.	400	Gas	J.P. Morgan	Intention To Sell.
BNP -led bank group (Exelon developed plants)	Mystic River 7	Mass.	560	Oil/Gas	Lazard	Ongoing.
	Mystic River 8	Mass.	832	Gas		
	Mystic River 9	Mass.	832	Gas		
	Fore River	Mass.	832	Gas		
Carlyle Riverstone/ Semptra Carlyle Riverstone/ Semptra	Coleto Creek Power Station	ERCOT	632	Coal	Goldman Sachs Greenhil & Co.	Int'l Power Agreed To Purchase For \$1.14B Ongoing.
	Topaz Power Group	ERCOT	2.9 GW	Gas&Oil		
Citi & SocGen-led creditor group (TECO Energy developed plants)	Union	Ark.	2,200	Gas	Goldman	Ongoing.
	Gila River	Ariz.	2,300	Gas		
CMS Energy	Ensenada	Argentina	128	Gas	Not chosen	Announced Intention To Sell.
	CT Mendoza	Argentina	520	Gas	J.P. Morgan	
	El Chocon	Argentina	1,320	Hydro	J.P. Morgan	
	Palisades	Mich.	798	Nuke	Concentric Advisors	
Citi-led bank group (NEG developed plants)	Lake Road	Conn.	840	Gas	Lehman Bros.	Cargill Bought Debt Portion (PFR, 12/27). Actively Pursuing A Sale.
	Lowell Power	Mass.	82	Gas	None	
Delta Power						
El Paso Europe	EMA Power	Hungary	70	Coal		
El Paso North America (Merchant assets)	Berkshire	Mass.	261 (56.41%)	Gas		Final Bids Due.
	CDECCA	Conn.	62	Gas		Negotiations Are Taking Place With
EnCana	Cavalier	Alberta	106	Gas	HSBC	Launched Sale In April.
	Balzac	Alberta	106	Gas	HSBC	
	Kingston	Ontario	110 (25%)	Gas	HSBC	
Energy Investors Fund	Multitrade	Va.	79.5 (60%)	Biomass	None	Stake Sold To GE
Entergy Asset Management	Robert Ritchie	Ark.	544	Gas/oil	None	Ongoing.
	Warren Power	Miss.	314	Gas		
	RS Cogen	La.	425 (49%)	CHP		
	Harrison County	Texas	550 (70%)	Gas		



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Generation Auction & Sale Auction (cont'd)

Seller	Plants	Location	MW	Plant Type	Advisor	Status
Exelon/PSEG	Eddystone Generating Station	Delaware County, Pa.	1,510 MW	Coal and Gas		Interviewing Banks To Advise On Sales.
Goldman Sachs	Linden Generating Station	Linden, N.J.	775 MW	Gas		
	East Coast Power	Linden, N.J.	940 MW	Gas	Goldman	GE Agreed To Purchase Asset.
Gama Construction Ireland Limited	Tynagh	Republic of Ireland	400 MW	Gas	Fieldstone Private Capital Group	Ongoing.
KBC-led creditor group	Milford	Conn.	542	Gas	Lazard	Ongoing.
Mirant	Shady Hills	Fla.	474	Gas	BofA	Ongoing.
	West Georgia	Ga.	640	Gas		
	Bosque County	Texas	538	Gas		
	Wichita Falls	Texas	77	Gas		
Morrow Power	Boardman	Ore.	28	Gas	Marathon Capital	Evaluating Bids.
Nations Energy	Bayport	Texas	80	N/A		Considering Liquidation.
	Mungo Junction	Ohio	32			
	Southbridge	Mass.	7			
National Energy Gas & Transmission (USGen New England)	Salem Harbor	Mass.	745	Coal/Oil	Lazard	Dominion Has It Under Contract.
	Brayton Point	Mass.	1,599	Coal		
	Manchester St.	R.I.	495	Gas		
	Connecticut River	N.H.	479	Hydro		
	Deerfield River	Mass.	89	Hydro		
Oman (Ministry of Housing, Electricity & Water)	Rusail	Oman	730	Gas	CSFB	-
	Ghubratt	Oman	507	CHP		
	Wad AlJazzi	Oman	350	Gas		
InterGen	Redbud	Okla.	1,220		Citigroup	Harbert Venture Acquired The Assets.
	Cottonwood	Texas	1,235			
	Magnolia	Miss.	900			
Sempra	Twin Oaks	ERCOT	305	Coal	Goldman Sachs	Sold To PNM Resources For \$480 million.
SG-led bank group (NEG developed plants)	Athens	N.Y.	1,080	Gas	Blackstone	Assessing Bids.
	Covert	Mich.	1,170	Gas		
	Harquahala	Ariz.	1,092	Gas		
	Millennium	Mass.	360	Gas		
STEAG	Iskenderun	Turkey	1,320	Gas	Morgan Stanley	Ongoing.
Teco Energy	Dell Power Station	Ark.	540	Gas		Reviewing Options.
	McAdams Power Station	La.	599	Gas		
Tenaska Energy	Tenaska Frontier	ERCOT	830	Gas	Lehman Brothers RBC Capital Markets	J. Power Agreed To Purchase Asset.
Tractebel North America	Chehalis	Wash.	520	Gas	N/A	Looking To Sell Or Swap.
TXU	17 peaker sites	Texas	10.3GW	Gas	Bank of America	First-Round Bids Are In.
WPS Resources	Sunbury Generating Station	Shamokin Dam, Pa.	450 MW	Coal	Lazard	Buyers Are Stalling Over Fuel Contracts.



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Weekly Recap

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The Americas

- **Bear Energy**, a unit of **Bear Stearns**, will manage the daily dispatch of power plants that privately-owned **LS Power** has purchased from **Duke Energy** (*Dow Jones Newswires*, 5/4).
- **Enmax**, Calgary's power company, has agreed to buy stakes in power contracts from **Epcor Utilities** for C\$567 million (\$510.3 million) to expand in the Canadian province of Alberta. Enmax will pay for an interest in a Battle River PPA as well as a syndicate agreement (*Bloomberg News*, 5/8).
- An international study on tidal energy has identified 16 sites in New Brunswick and Nova Scotia where generators could tap into the rise and fall of Bay of Fundy tides (*Canadian Press*, 5/9).
- **Northeast Utilities** sold its **Select Energy Services** subsidiary to **Ameresco** for an undisclosed sum. As a result of the sale, Northeast said it expects to take a pretax charge of \$6 million in the second quarter (*Associated Press*, 5/10).
- **PPL** is selling its 50% stake in the 600MW Griffith power plant in Kingman, Ariz. to a unit of **LS Power Equity Partners** for \$115 million in cash. A subsidiary of LS Power acquired **Duke Energy's** 50% interest in Griffith last week (*United Press International*, 5/11).

Europe

- France's **Suez SA** gained shareholders' approval to adopt a poison pill aimed at fending off a possible unsolicited bid from Italian rival **Enel SpA** (*Dow Jones Newswires*, 5/5).
- **Frigorifico La Pampa**, an Argentine investment fund owned by **Damian Mindlin**, the brother of rising local energy player **Marcelo Mindlin**, has bought a controlling stake in two hydroelectric plants in the province of Mendoza from **Electricite de France** (*Dow Jones Newswires*, 5/8).
- **Suez** expects the sale of its 19% stake in Chilean power generator **Colbun** to fetch more than \$450 million (*La Segunda*, 5/5).
- Austrian oil-and-gas company **OMV** is in talks with the country's biggest utility, **Österreichische Elektrizitätswirtschafts AG Verbundgesellschaft** on an alliance that could create a €29 billion (\$37 billion) energy group (*Wall Street Journal*, 5/9).
- European regulators have demanded to know whether a planned €5 billion (\$6.36 billion) gas pipeline between Russia and Germany is receiving illegal aid. Regulators are asking for an explanation of reports about a guarantee given to **Gazprom** to help finance construction (*Wall Street Journal*, 5/9).

- Shares in **Renewable Energy** surged more than 20% on the Norwegian solar energy company's stock market debut in Oslo, valuing the group at \$9.4 billion (*Financial Times*, 5/10).
- German energy giant **E.ON** is considering the construction of a carbon-dioxide-free coal-fired power plant in the U.K., but did not reveal specifics of the plan (*Dow Jones Newswires*, 5/10).
- **Pierre Gadonneix**, ceo of **Electricite de France**, said the company wants to expand in Belgium and Spain, where it currently has no presence, and is interested in any assets sold off by **Suez** as a result of its planned merger with **Gaz de France** (*Dow Jones Newswires*, 5/11).

Asia/Australia

- Plans for a (A\$3.91 billion) \$3 billion Papua New Guinea-to-Australia gas pipeline firmed with a new tariff framework welcomed by development sponsor **Australian Gas Light** and Malaysia's **Petronas** (*Sydney Morning Herald*, 5/9).

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a book that details the universe of energy hedge funds by strategy. Fusaro also co-authored the book *What Went Wrong at Enron: The Largest Bankruptcy in U.S. History*. Fusaro and Vasey declined to comment.

The fund is expected to carry a \$500,000 investment minimum with 1.5/10 fees and a one-year lockup.

—Elana Margulies

FPL EYES

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Public Service Co. of Oklahoma underpin the financings.

If FPL goes the private placement route, it could seek to obtain long-term fixed-rate bonds of about 20-25 years to match the PPAs with pricing in the ballpark of 125-135 basis points over comparable Treasuries, bankers say. BNP likely will hit the capital markets over the next several weeks as it looks to structure the financing and secure a credit rating for the debt.

The Wilton wind farm construction wrapped in January and The Weatherford project kicked off operations in December.

—Mark DeCambre, Mari Slater

Calendar

• **Euromoney and the American Council on Renewable Energy** will host the third annual Renewable Energy Finance Forum-Wall Street in New York at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel June 21-22. For more information, please contact **Glenn Cooney** at +44-0-20-7779-8914.

Quote Of The Week

"We'd love to lead arrange deals, but you have to walk before you run. We're moving into new territory [in oil and gas], so you need to participate before you can lead." —**Bill Roos**, senior v.p. and head of the origination and syndication desk for DZ Bank in New York, on DZ's considering the addition of manpower to its Houston office to support its oil and natural gas business (see story, page 4).

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Neptune Regional Electric Transmission was planning a \$550 million private placement, led by **Société Générale**, to fund the construction of a 660 MW undersea transmission cable between New Jersey and Long Island that costs \$660 million to build. [The private placement closed about a month later, with **Allied Irish Bank** and **DZ Bank** contributing \$50 million each in letters of credit facilities (PFR, 6/24).]

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