

# Defining a Business Aligned, 3 Year Strategy

#### Energy Future Holdings Overview

#### Competitive Businesses



- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest competitive electric generator in US
- Largest lignite/coal and nuclear base load generation fleet in Texas
- Low-cost lignite reserves





- Largest retail electricity provider in Texas
- Strong customer value proposition



#### Regulated Business



- Largest T&D utility in Texas
- High-growth service territory
- Regulated business



The largest power generator, retail electricity provider and transmission & distribution utility in Texas.

#### Full Disclosure aka "My Personal Safe Harbor"

- Started my career in Investment Banking & Consulting
- Spent about 10 years in software, primarily in business development roles
- Prior to EFH/TXU, spent 5 years in financial services & private equity
- Joined TXU Energy in 2011 responsible for IT Finance, Vendor, and Performance Management.
- Spent the last year at Energy Future Holdings as VP of Governance & Strategy
- 2 months ago, took the VP of Technology role at TXU Energy

#### FINANCE & SALES GUY, NOW IN IT

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Define a Business Aligned, 3 Year Strategy

VS.

Defining a Segmented, Silo Based, Techno Speak, Irrational, Totally Confusing, and Open Ended Strategy

#### The Key Word is "Aligned"

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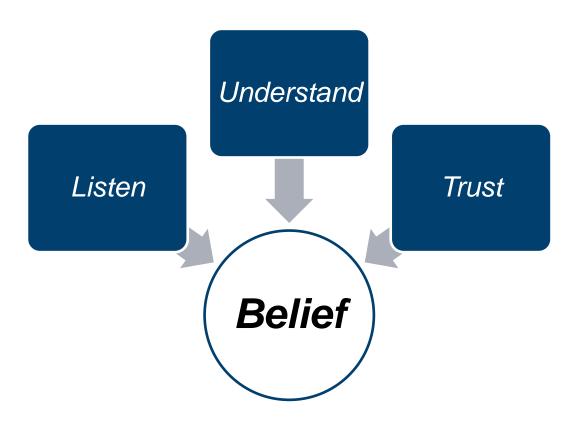
verb

verb: align; 3rd person present: aligns; past tense: aligned; past participle: aligned; gerund or present participle: aligning

- 1. place or arrange (things) in a straight line. synonyms: line up, put in order, put in rows/columns, straighten, place, position, situate, set, arrange
- put (things) into correct or appropriate relative positions.
- lie in a straight line, or in correct relative positions.
- 2. give support to (a person, organization, or cause).
- come together in agreement or alliance.

#### "Come together in agreement or alliance"

#### How?



To get "agreement or alliance", the <u>business and IT</u> must <u>believe</u> in the strategy. . .they must know "why" or the "purpose".

## A great purpose does not equal success

Successful Purpos Focused

Consistent

Image Conscious

Meaningful

Inclusive

Long term objectives

Inquisitive

**Proactive** 

Chaotic

Overly confident

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**Empty** 

*Ambiguous* 

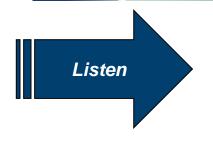
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#### Where to start? 10 steps to develop the "substance"



1. Business, IT, Key Vendors



- 2. Market and customers
- 3. Business objectives
- 4. Current state



- 5. Define the end state
- 6. Define the key objectives
- 7. Develop the purpose why are we doing this?



- 8. Tell the story, sell the vision
- 9. Execute, monitor, and measure
- 10. Iterate wash, rinse, repeat

#### What I discovered was. . .

Over the next 3 years we must. . .

- 1. Stay within the financial plan
- 2. Upgrade the ERP
- 3. Ensure security and compliance
- 4. Standardize the sales engine
- 5. Improve CRM capabilities and functionality
- 6. Centralize and improve data management, analytics, and reporting
- 7. Align IT organization to business functions
- 8. Develop and grow IT employees
- 9. Deliver solutions faster and cheaper
- 10. Change the way IT works with and is viewed by the business

OR

## "Delivering Great User Experiences"

#### Changing the viewpoint

- 10 is about relationship building and relationship development
- Being a change agent for the business
- Changing the way IT and the business view each other, work with each other, etc. . .
- Spending time with the users understand how they do their jobs
- Managing IT as a business being innovative, coupling technology with business goals
- Being proactive vs. reactive

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#### Business objectives and purpose

## Strategic Business Objectives:

- Be a people focused, high performance culture
- Provide customer-centric, innovative solutions
  - Execute with excellence
  - Deliver value consistently over time

## "To Power Positive Energy Experiences"

#### IT strategic objectives and purpose

## Strategic IT Objectives:

- Financial Optimization
- Operational Excellence
- Business Value Creation
  - Risk Management
- Organizational Development

"Delivering Great User Experiences"

#### Align the IT strategic objectives

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# Changing the Viewpoint – Business/IT Partnership

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- Listen, Understand, Trust = Belief
- Define the "Purpose"
- Develop the "Substance"
- Deliver the message
- Change the viewpoint

## Questions?