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PRELIMINARY PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT

(To Prospectus Dated January 29, 2009)

**Subject to Completion Dated June , 2009**

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## VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

\$ 2009 Series A \_\_\_\_% Senior Notes Due

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The Senior Notes will bear interest at % per year and will mature on June 30, 20 . We will pay interest on the Senior Notes on June 30 and December 30 of each year, beginning December 30, 2009.

We may redeem all or any of the Senior Notes at any time at the make-whole redemption price described in this prospectus supplement plus accrued interest.

We will not make application to list the Senior Notes on any securities exchange or to include them in any automated quotation system.

**Investing in the Senior Notes involves risks. For a description of these risks, see Risk Factors beginning on page S-7.**

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	Public Offering Price(1)	Underwriting Discount	Proceeds to Company Before Expenses(1)
	%	%	%
Per Senior Note	\$	\$	\$
Total			

(1) Plus accrued interest from June , 2009, if settlement occurs after that date.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus supplement or the accompanying base prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The Senior Notes will be ready for delivery in book-entry form only through The Depository Trust Company on or about June , 2009.

Joint Book-Running Managers

**Barclays Capital**

**Goldman, Sachs & Co.**

**Scotia Capital**

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Co-Managers

**BNP PARIBAS**

**Credit Suisse**

**KeyBanc Capital Markets**

**Mitsubishi UFJ Securities**

**Mizuho Securities USA Inc.**

**PNC Capital Markets LLC**

**UniCredit Capital Markets**

The date of this Prospectus Supplement is June , 2009.

**Table of Contents****ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT**

This document is in two parts. The first part is the prospectus supplement, which describes the specific terms of the Senior Notes and certain other matters relating to us and our financial condition. The second part, the accompanying base prospectus, gives more general information about securities we may offer from time to time, some of which does not apply to the Senior Notes we are offering at this time. Generally, when we refer to the prospectus, we are referring to both parts of this document combined. To the extent the description of the Senior Notes in the prospectus supplement differs from the descriptions of Debt Securities in the accompanying base prospectus, you should only rely on the information in the prospectus supplement.

You should rely only on the information contained in this document or to which this document refers you, or in other offering materials filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC). We have not authorized anyone, and we have not authorized the underwriters to authorize anyone, to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, you should not rely on it. This document may only be used where it is legal to sell these securities. The information which appears in this document and which is incorporated by reference in this document may only be accurate as of the date of this prospectus supplement or the date of the document in which incorporated information appears. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since the date of such information.

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**WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION**

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, and other information with the SEC. Our file number with the SEC is 001-02255. Our SEC filings are available to the public over the Internet at the SEC's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. You may also read and copy any document we file at the SEC's public reference room at 100 F. Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the public reference room. You may also read and copy these documents at the offices of the New York Stock Exchange, 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005.

The SEC allows us to incorporate by reference the information we file with it, which means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to those documents. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part of this prospectus supplement and information that we file later with the SEC will automatically update or supersede this information. We incorporate by reference the document listed below and any future filings made with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), until such time as all of the securities covered by this prospectus supplement have been sold:

Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008;

Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009; and

Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed June 3, 2009 and June 23, 2009.

You may request a copy of this filing at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at:

Corporate Secretary

Virginia Electric and Power Company

120 Tredegar Street

Richmond, Virginia 23219

Telephone (804) 819-2000

**FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION**

We have included certain information in this prospectus supplement or other offering materials which is forward-looking information as defined by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Examples include discussions as to our expectations, beliefs, plans, goals, objectives and future financial or other performance or assumptions concerning matters discussed in this prospectus supplement. This information, by its nature, involves estimates, projections, forecasts and uncertainties that could cause actual results or outcomes to differ substantially from those expressed in the forward-looking statements.

Our business is influenced by many factors that are difficult to predict, involve uncertainties that may materially affect actual results and are often beyond our ability to control. We have identified a number of these factors in this prospectus supplement under the heading RISK FACTORS and we refer you to that discussion for further information.

These factors include unusual weather conditions and their effect on energy sales to customers and energy commodity prices; extreme weather events, including hurricanes and severe storms, that can cause outages and property damage to our facilities; state and

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federal legislative and regulatory developments and changes to environmental and other laws and regulations, including those related to climate change, greenhouse gas emissions, and other emissions to which we are subject; cost of environmental compliance, including those costs related to climate change; risks associated with the operation of nuclear facilities; fluctuations in energy-related commodity prices and the effect these could have on our liquidity position and the underlying value of our assets; capital market conditions, including the availability of credit and our ability to obtain financing on reasonable terms; risk associated with our membership and participation in PJM Interconnection, LLC (PJM) related to obligations created by the default of other participants; price risk due to securities held as investments in nuclear decommissioning trusts; fluctuations in interest rates; changes in federal and state tax laws and regulations; changes in rating agency requirements or credit ratings and their effect on availability and cost of capital; changes in financial or regulatory accounting principles or policies imposed by governing bodies; employee workforce factors including collective bargaining agreements and labor negotiations with union employees; the risks of operating businesses in regulated industries that are subject to changing regulatory structures; changes to regulated electric rates collected by us, including the outcome of our 2009 rate filings and the timing of our fuel cost recoveries; timing and receipt of regulatory approvals necessary for planned construction or expansion projects; the inability to complete planned construction or expansion projects within the terms and time frames initially anticipated; changes in rules for the regional transmission organizations (RTOs) in which we participate, including changes in rate designs and capacity models; political and economic conditions, including the threat of domestic terrorism, inflation and deflation; and adverse outcomes in litigation matters.

Any forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date on which it is made, and we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statement to reflect events or circumstances after the date on which it is made.

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*In this prospectus supplement, the words "Company," "we," "our" and "us" refer to Virginia Electric and Power Company, a Virginia corporation, and its subsidiaries.*

*The following summary contains basic information about this offering. It may not contain all the information that is important to you. The DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES section of this prospectus supplement and the DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES and ADDITIONAL TERMS OF SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES sections of the accompanying base prospectus contain more detailed information regarding the terms and conditions of the Senior Notes. The following summary is qualified in its entirety by reference to the detailed information appearing elsewhere in this prospectus supplement and in the accompanying base prospectus.*

**THE COMPANY**

We are a regulated public utility that generates, transmits and distributes electricity for sale in Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. As of March 31, 2009, we served approximately 2.4 million retail customer accounts, including governmental agencies as well as wholesale customers such as rural electric cooperatives and municipalities. All of our common stock is owned by Dominion Resources, Inc. (Dominion). Dominion, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, is one of the nation's largest producers and transporters of energy. Dominion also owns and operates the nation's largest underground natural gas storage system and serves retail energy customers in 12 states.

Our address and telephone number are: Virginia Electric and Power Company, 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, Telephone (804) 819-2000.

**Recent Developments****Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges**

Three Months Ended March 31, 2009	Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2009	Years Ended December 31,				
		2008	2007	2006	2005	2004

4.35

4.79

4.98

3.93

3.34

3.21

4.48

## THE OFFERING

### The Senior Notes

We are offering \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount of the Senior Notes. The Senior Notes will mature on June 30, 20\_\_.

The Senior Notes will be represented by one or more global certificates that will be deposited with and registered in the name of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York (DTC) or its nominee. This means that you will not receive a certificate for your Senior Notes but, instead, will hold your interest through DTC's book-entry system.

### Interest Payment Dates

Interest on the Senior Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears on June 30 and December 30, beginning December 30, 2009.

### Record Dates

So long as the Senior Notes remain in book-entry only form, the record date for each Interest Payment Date will be the close of business on the business day before the applicable Interest Payment Date.

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If the Senior Notes are not in book-entry only form, the record date for each Interest Payment Date will be the close of business on the fifteenth calendar day (whether or not a business day) before the applicable Interest Payment Date.

## **Optional Redemption**

We may redeem some or all of the Senior Notes at any time at the redemption prices described in DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES Optional Redemption, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption.

The holder of the Senior Notes may not require that the Senior Notes be redeemed at any time.

## **Ranking**

The Senior Notes will rank equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness and will be senior in right of payment to all of our subordinated indebtedness. The Senior Notes will be effectively subordinated to all our secured debt, including our first and refunding mortgage bonds. There were no mortgage bonds outstanding as of March 31, 2009, however the mortgage bond indenture remains open. The Senior Indenture contains no restrictions on the amount of additional indebtedness that we may incur. While our mortgage bond indenture contains restrictions on the amount of additional mortgage bonds we may issue, the limit is in excess of \$4 billion. The Senior Notes will not be guaranteed by Dominion.

## **No Listing of the Senior Notes**

We do not plan to make application to list the Senior Notes on any securities exchange or to include them in any automated quotation system.

## **Use of Proceeds**

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, such as the repayment of short term debt, including commercial paper. See USE OF PROCEEDS on page S-13.



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**RISK FACTORS**

Your investment in the Senior Notes involves certain risks. Our business is influenced by many factors that are difficult to predict, involve uncertainties that may materially affect actual results and are often beyond our control. We have identified a number of these factors below. In consultation with your own financial and legal advisers, you should carefully consider, among other matters, the following discussion of risks before deciding whether an investment in the Senior Notes is suitable for you.

***Our results of operations can be affected by changes in the weather.*** Weather conditions directly influence the demand for electricity and affect the price of energy commodities. In addition, severe weather, including hurricanes and winter storms, can be destructive, causing outages and property damage that require us to incur additional expenses. Additionally, droughts can result in reduced water-levels that could adversely affect operations at some of our power stations.

***We are subject to complex governmental regulation that could adversely affect our operations.*** Our operations are subject to extensive federal, state and local regulation and require numerous permits, approvals and certificates from various governmental agencies. We must also comply with environmental legislation and associated regulations. Management believes that the necessary approvals have been obtained for our existing operations and that our business is conducted in accordance with applicable laws. However, new laws or regulations, the revision or reinterpretation of existing laws or regulations, or penalties imposed for non-compliance with existing laws or regulations may require us to incur additional expenses.

***We could be subject to penalties as a result of mandatory reliability standards.*** As a result of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, owners and operators of bulk power transmission systems, including the Company, are subject to mandatory reliability standards enacted by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and enforced by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). If we are found not to be in compliance with the mandatory reliability standards we could be subject to sanctions, including substantial monetary penalties.

***Our costs of compliance with environmental laws are significant, and the cost of compliance with future environmental laws could adversely affect our cash flow and profitability.*** Our operations are subject to extensive federal, state and local environmental statutes, rules and regulations relating to air quality, water quality, waste management, natural resources, and health and safety. Compliance with these legal requirements requires us to commit significant capital toward permitting, emission fees, environmental monitoring, installation and operation of pollution control equipment and purchase of allowances and/or offsets. Additionally, we could be responsible for expenses relating to remediation and containment obligations, including at sites where we have been identified by a regulatory agency as a potentially responsible party. Our expenditures relating to environmental compliance have been significant in the past, and we expect that they will remain significant in the future.



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Costs of compliance with environmental regulations could adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition, especially if emission and/or discharge limits are tightened, more extensive permitting requirements are imposed, additional substances become regulated and the number and types of assets we operate increases. We cannot estimate our compliance costs with certainty due to our inability to predict the requirements and timing of implementation of any new environmental rules or regulations related to emissions. Other factors which affect our ability to predict our future environmental expenditures with certainty include the difficulty in estimating clean-up costs and quantifying liabilities under environmental laws that impose joint and several liability on all responsible parties.

***If federal and/or state requirements are imposed on energy companies mandating further emission reductions, including limitations on carbon dioxide emissions, such requirements could make some of our electric generating units uneconomical to maintain or operate.*** Environmental advocacy groups, other organizations and some agencies are focusing considerable attention on carbon dioxide emissions from power generation facilities and their potential role in climate change. We expect that federal legislation, and possibly additional state legislation, may pass resulting in the imposition of limitations on greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuel-fired electric generating units. Such limits could make certain of our electric generating units uneconomical to operate in the long term, unless there is significant advancement in the commercial availability and cost of carbon capture and storage technology. In addition, a number of bills have been introduced in Congress that would require greenhouse gas emission reductions from fossil fuel-fired electric generation facilities, natural gas facilities and other sectors of the economy, although none have yet been enacted. Compliance with these greenhouse gas emission reduction requirements may require us to commit significant capital toward carbon capture and storage technology, purchase of allowances and/or offsets, fuel switching, and/or retirement of high emitting generation facilities and potential replacement with lower emitting generation facilities. The cost of compliance with expected greenhouse gas emission legislation is subject to significant uncertainties due to the outcome of several interrelated assumptions and variables, including timing of the implementation of rules, required levels of reductions, allocation requirements of the new rules, the maturation and commercialization of carbon capture and storage technology and associated regulations, and our selected compliance alternatives. As a result, we cannot estimate the effect of any such legislation on our results of operations, financial condition, or our customers.

***Our base rates are subject to regulatory review.*** As a result of the Virginia Electric Utility Restructuring Act (Regulation Act), commencing in 2009, our base rates will be reviewed by the Virginia State Corporation Commission (Virginia Commission) under a modified cost-of-service model. Such rates will be set based on analyses of our costs and capital structure, as reviewed and approved in regulatory proceedings. Under the Regulation Act, the Virginia Commission may, in a proceeding conducted in 2009, reduce rates or order a credit to customers if

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we are deemed to be earning more than 50 basis points above a return on equity (ROE) level to be established by the Virginia Commission in that proceeding. After the initial rate case, the Virginia Commission will review our base rates biennially and may order a credit to customers if we are deemed to have earned an ROE more than 50 basis points above an ROE level established by the Virginia Commission and may reduce rates if we are found to have had earnings in excess of the established ROE level during two consecutive biennial review periods.

***Delays in the recovery of fuel costs could negatively affect our cash flow, which could adversely affect our results of operations.*** We have a statutory right to recover from customers all prudently incurred fuel costs through fuel factors which have been implemented in our Virginia and North Carolina jurisdictions. However, as a result of increasing fuel costs and a statutory limitation on the amount of fuel recovery that could be collected from Virginia jurisdictional customers in the July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008 fuel factor period, we have deferred a significant amount of fuel costs. Deferred recovery of fuel costs could have a negative impact on our cash flow. The recent fluctuations in fuel prices may make it difficult to accurately predict fuel costs. In the future, if actual fuel costs incurred during the fuel factor period exceed the estimate of costs which the Virginia Commission has approved for recovery in that period, we will not have authority to recover the excess costs through fuel rates until the following year when a new factor is determined. To the extent that such deferrals occur, the resulting delays in the current recovery of fuel costs could negatively impact our cash flow, which could adversely affect our results of operations.

***The rates of our electric transmission operations are subject to regulatory review.*** Revenue provided by our electric transmission operations is based primarily on rates approved by FERC. The profitability of this business is dependent on our ability, through the rates that we are permitted to charge, to recover costs and earn a reasonable rate of return on our capital investment. Our wholesale charges for electric transmission service are adjusted on an annual basis through operation of a FERC-approved formula rate mechanism. Through this mechanism our wholesale electric transmission cost of service is estimated and thereafter true-up as appropriate to reflect actual costs allocated to the Company by PJM. These wholesale rates are subject to FERC review and prospective adjustment in the event that customers and/or interested state commissions file a complaint with FERC and are able to demonstrate that our wholesale revenue requirement is no longer just and reasonable.

***Energy conservation could negatively impact our financial results.*** Certain regulatory and legislative bodies have introduced or are considering requirements and/or incentives to reduce energy consumption by a fixed date. To the extent conservation resulted in reduced energy demand or significantly slowed the growth in demand, it could negatively impact us depending on the regulatory treatment of the associated impacts. Should we be required to invest in conservation measures that resulted in reduced sales from effective conservation, regulatory lag in adjusting rates for the impact of these measures could

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have a negative financial impact. We are unable to determine what impact, if any, conservation will have on our financial condition or results of operations.

***Our operations could be affected by terrorist activities and catastrophic events that could result from terrorism.*** In the event that our generating facilities or other infrastructure assets are subject to potential terrorist activities, such activities could significantly impair our operations and result in a decrease in revenues and additional costs to repair and insure our assets, which could have a material adverse effect on our business. The effects of potential terrorist activities could also include the risk of a significant decline in the U.S. economy, and the decreased availability and increased cost of insurance coverage, any of which effects could negatively impact our operations and financial condition. We have incurred increased capital and operating expenses and may incur further costs for enhanced security in response to such risks.

***There are risks associated with the operation of nuclear facilities.*** We operate nuclear facilities that are subject to risks, including our ability to dispose of spent nuclear fuel, the disposal of which is subject to complex federal and state regulatory constraints. These risks also include the cost of and our ability to maintain adequate reserves for decommissioning, costs of replacement power, costs of plant maintenance and exposure to potential liabilities arising out of the operation of these facilities. We maintain decommissioning trusts and external insurance coverage to mitigate the financial exposure to these risks. However, it is possible that decommissioning costs could exceed the amounts in our trusts or that costs arising from claims could exceed the amount of any insurance coverage.

***The use of derivative instruments could result in financial losses and liquidity constraints.*** We use derivative instruments, including futures, swaps, forwards, options and financial transmission rights, to manage the commodity and financial market risks of our business operations. We could recognize financial losses on these contracts as a result of volatility in the market values of the underlying commodities or if a counterparty fails to perform under a contract. In the absence of actively-quoted market prices and pricing information from external sources, the valuation of these contracts involves management's judgment or use of estimates. As a result, changes in the underlying assumptions or use of alternative valuation methods could affect the reported fair value of these contracts.

Derivatives designated under hedge accounting to the extent not fully offset by the hedged transaction can result in ineffectiveness losses. These losses primarily result from differences in the location and specifications of the derivative hedging instrument and the hedged item and could adversely affect our results of operations.

Our operations in regards to these transactions are subject to multiple market risks including market liquidity, counterparty credit strength and price volatility. These market risks are beyond our control and could adversely affect our results of operations and future growth.

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***We may not complete plant construction or expansion projects that we commence, or we may complete projects on materially different terms or timing than initially anticipated and we may not be able to achieve the intended benefits of any such project, if completed.*** We have announced several plant construction and expansion projects and may consider additional projects in the future. We anticipate that we will be required to seek additional financing in the future to fund our current and future plant construction and expansion projects and we may not be able to secure such financing on favorable terms. In addition, we may not be able to complete the projects on time as a result of weather conditions, delays in obtaining or failure to obtain regulatory approvals, delays in obtaining key materials, labor difficulties, difficulties with partners or potential partners, a decline in the credit strength of our counterparties or vendors, or other factors beyond our control. Even if plant construction and expansion projects are completed, the total costs of the projects may be higher than anticipated and the performance of our business following the projects may not meet expectations. Additionally, regulators may disallow recovery of some of the costs of a project if they are deemed not to be prudently incurred. Further, we may not be able to timely and effectively integrate the projects into our operations and such integration may result in unforeseen operating difficulties or unanticipated costs. Any of these or other factors could adversely affect our ability to realize the anticipated benefits from the plant construction and expansion projects.

***An inability to access financial markets could affect the execution of our business plan.*** We rely on access to short-term money markets, longer-term capital markets and banks as significant sources of funding and liquidity for capital expenditures and normal working capital. Management believes that we will maintain sufficient access to these financial markets based upon our current credit ratings and market reputation. However, certain disruptions outside of our control may increase our cost of borrowing or restrict our ability to access one or more financial markets. Such disruptions could include a continuation of the current economic downturn, the bankruptcy of an unrelated company, general market disruption due to general credit market or political events, changes to our credit ratings or the failure of financial institutions on which we rely. Restrictions on our ability to access financial markets may affect our ability to execute our business plan as scheduled.

***Changing rating agency requirements could negatively affect our growth and business strategy.*** As of May 31, 2009, our senior unsecured debt is rated A-, stable outlook, by Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a division of the McGraw-Hill Companies, Inc. (Standard & Poor's), Baa1, positive outlook, by Moody's Investors Service (Moody's) and A-, stable outlook, by Fitch Ratings Ltd. (Fitch). In order to maintain our current credit ratings in light of existing or future requirements, we may find it necessary to take steps or change our business plans in ways that may adversely affect our growth and earnings. A reduction in our credit ratings by Standard & Poor's, Moody's or Fitch could increase our borrowing costs and adversely affect operating results.

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***Potential changes in accounting practices may adversely affect our financial results.*** We cannot predict the impact that future changes in accounting standards or practices may have on public companies in general, the energy industry or our operations specifically. New accounting standards could be issued that could change the way we record revenues, expenses, assets and liabilities. These changes in accounting standards could adversely affect our reported earnings or could increase reported liabilities.

***Failure to retain and attract key executive officers and other skilled professional and technical employees could have an adverse effect on our operations.*** Our business strategy is dependent on our ability to recruit, retain and motivate employees. Competition for skilled employees in some areas is high and the inability to retain and attract these employees could adversely affect our business and future operating results.

## **THE COMPANY**

We are a regulated public utility that generates, transmits and distributes electricity for sale in Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. In Virginia, we conduct business under the name Dominion Virginia Power. In North Carolina, we conduct business under the name Dominion North Carolina Power and serve retail customers located in the northeastern region of the state, excluding certain municipalities. We serve approximately 2.4 million retail customer accounts, including governmental agencies as well as wholesale customers such as rural electric cooperatives and municipalities. All of our common stock is owned by our parent company, Dominion. Dominion, headquartered in Richmond, Virginia, is one of the nation's largest producers and transporters of energy. Dominion also owns and operates the nation's largest underground natural gas storage system and serves retail energy customers in 12 states. Dominion is not guaranteeing any of the securities described in this prospectus supplement.

## **Operating Segments**

We manage our daily operations through two primary operating segments: Dominion Virginia Power and Generation.

***Dominion Virginia Power*** includes our regulated electric distribution and customer service businesses and our regulated electric transmission system serving Virginia and northeastern North Carolina. We are a member of PJM, a regional transmission organization, and our electric transmission facilities are integrated into the PJM wholesale electricity markets. Electric distribution operations serve residential, commercial, industrial and governmental customers in Virginia and northeastern North Carolina.

***Generation*** includes our regulated generation portfolio of electric generating facilities and power purchase agreements and our energy supply operations.

***We also report a Corporate and Other segment that includes our corporate and other functions*** and specific items attributable to our primary operating segments that are not included in profit

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measures evaluated by executive management in assessing the segments performance or allocating resources among the segments.

As of March 31, 2009, we had approximately 7,500 full-time employees. Approximately 3,400 employees are subject to collective bargaining agreements.

We were incorporated in 1909 as a Virginia public service corporation. Our principal office is located at 120 Tredegar Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219-3932. The telephone number is (804) 819-2000.

For additional information about us, see WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION on page S-3.

**USE OF PROCEEDS**

We intend to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, such as the repayment of short term debt, including commercial paper. As of May 31, 2009, the weighted average maturity of our approximately \$564.4 million of outstanding commercial paper was approximately 7 days and the weighted average interest rate was 0.80%.

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The table below shows our capitalization on a consolidated basis as of March 31, 2009. The As Adjusted for this Offering column reflects our capitalization after giving effect to this offering of Senior Notes and the intended use of the net proceeds from this offering. See WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION on page S-3 and USE OF PROCEEDS on page S-13.

	March 31, 2009	
	Actual	As Adjusted for this Offering
(in millions)		
Short-term debt <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 781	\$
Long-term debt:		
Senior notes and medium-term notes <sup>(2)</sup>	5,485	
Tax exempt financings <sup>(3)</sup>	512	512
Total long-term debt	5,997	
Preferred stock <sup>(4)</sup>	257	257
Total common shareholder's equity	6,376	6,376
Total capitalization	\$ 13,411	\$

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes affiliated current borrowings and securities due within one year, which includes a \$0.2 million deferred gain on fair value hedges.

<sup>(2)</sup> Includes the net effect of unamortized discount (\$9.7 million) and unamortized premium (\$7.1 million).

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes a \$0.7 million deferred gain on fair value hedges.

<sup>(4)</sup> Includes the effect of preferred stock issuance expenses (\$1.9 million).

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Three Months Ended	Twelve Months Ended	Years Ended December 31,				
March 31, 2009	March 31, 2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004
4.35	4.79	4.98	3.93	3.34	3.21	4.48

For purposes of this ratio, earnings are determined by adding fixed charges (excluding interest capitalized) to income before taxes. These earnings are then divided by total fixed charges. Fixed charges consist of interest charges (without reduction for Allowance for Funds Used During Construction) on long-term and short-term debt, interest capitalized, and the portion of rental expense that is representative of the interest factor.

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**DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES**

Set forth below is a description of the specific terms of the Senior Notes. This description supplements, and should be read together with, the description of the general terms and provisions of the Senior Debt Securities set forth in the accompanying base prospectus under the captions DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES and ADDITIONAL TERMS OF SENIOR DEBT SECURITIES. The following description is not complete in every respect and is subject to, and is qualified in its entirety by reference to, the description in the accompanying base prospectus, the Senior Indenture and the supplemental indentures pertaining to the Senior Notes. Capitalized terms used in this DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES that are not defined in this prospectus supplement have the meanings given to them in the accompanying base prospectus, the Senior Indenture or the applicable supplemental indenture. In this DESCRIPTION OF THE SENIOR NOTES, references to the Company, we, us, and our mean Virginia Electric and Power Company, excluding any of its subsidiaries unless otherwise expressly stated or the context otherwise requires.

**General**

The Senior Notes will be issued as a series of Senior Debt Securities under the Senior Indenture. The Senior Notes will be initially limited in aggregate principal amount to \$ . We may, without the consent of the holders of Senior Notes, issue additional notes having the same ranking and the same interest rate, maturity and other terms as the Senior Notes. Any additional notes having such similar terms, together with the Senior Notes, will constitute a single series of notes under the Senior Indenture.

The entire principal amount of the Senior Notes will mature and become due and payable, together with any accrued and unpaid interest thereon, on June 30, 20 . The Senior Notes are not subject to any sinking fund provision. The Senior Notes are available for purchase in denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple of \$1,000.

**Interest**

The Senior Notes will bear interest at the rate of % per year from the date of original issuance. Interest is payable semi-annually in arrears on June 30 and December 30 of each year (each, an Interest Payment Date). The initial Interest Payment Date is December 30, 2009. The amount of interest payable will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months. If any date on which interest is payable on the Senior Notes is not a business day, then payment of the interest payable on that date will be made on the next succeeding day which is a business day (and without any interest or other payment in respect of any delay), with the same force and effect as if made on such date.

So long as the Senior Notes remain in book-entry only form, the record date for each Interest Payment Date will be the close of business on the business day before the applicable Interest Payment Date. If the Senior Notes are not in book-entry only form, the record date for each Interest Payment Date will be the close of business on the fifteenth calendar day (whether or not a business day) before the Interest Payment Date. In any case, interest payable at maturity or upon redemption will be payable to the person to whom principal is payable.

## **Ranking**

The Senior Notes will be our direct, unsecured and unsubordinated obligations.

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The Senior Notes will rank equally with all of our other senior unsecured indebtedness and will be senior in right of payment to all of our subordinated indebtedness. The Senior Notes will be effectively subordinated to all our secured debt including our first and refunding mortgage bonds. There were no mortgage bonds outstanding as of March 31, 2009, however the mortgage bond indenture remains open. The Senior Notes will not be guaranteed by Dominion.

The Senior Indenture contains no restrictions on the amount of additional indebtedness that we may incur. While our mortgage bond indenture contains restrictions on the amount of additional mortgage bonds we may issue, the limit is in excess of \$4 billion.

## **Optional Redemption**

The Senior Notes are redeemable, in whole or in part, at any time, and at our option, at a redemption price equal to the greater of:

100% of the principal amount of Senior Notes then outstanding to be redeemed, or

the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest thereon (not including any portion of such payments of interest accrued as of the Redemption Date) discounted to the Redemption Date on a semi-annual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) at the Adjusted Treasury Rate, plus        basis points, as calculated by an Independent Investment Banker,

plus accrued and unpaid interest on the Senior Notes to the Redemption Date.

We will mail a notice of redemption at least 20 days but no more than 60 days before the Redemption Date to each holder of Senior Notes to be redeemed. If we elect to partially redeem the Senior Notes, the series trustee will select, in a fair and appropriate manner, the Senior Notes to be redeemed.

Unless we default in payment of the redemption price, on and after the Redemption Date, interest will cease to accrue on the Senior Notes or portions thereof called for redemption.

Adjusted Treasury Rate means, with respect to any Redemption Date:

the yield, under the heading which represents the average for the immediately preceding week, appearing in the most recently published statistical release designated H.15(519) or any successor publication which is published weekly by the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and which establishes yields on actively traded United States Treasury securities adjusted to constant maturity under the caption Treasury Constant Maturities, for the maturity corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue (if no maturity is within three months before or after the end of the Remaining Life (as defined below), yields for the two published maturities most closely corresponding to the Comparable Treasury Issue will be determined and the Adjusted Treasury Rate will be interpolated or extrapolated from such yields on a straight line basis, rounding to the nearest month); or

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if such release (or any successor release) is not published during the week preceding the calculation date or does not contain such yields, the rate per annum equal to the semi-annual equivalent yield to maturity of the Comparable Treasury Issue, calculated using a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such Redemption Date.

The Adjusted Treasury Rate will be calculated on the third business day preceding the Redemption Date.

Comparable Treasury Issue means the United States Treasury security selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having a remaining term to maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Senior Notes to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of comparable maturity to the remaining term of such Senior Notes (Remaining Life).

Comparable Treasury Price for any Redemption Date means (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such Redemption Date, after excluding the highest and lowest Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if the Independent Investment Banker obtains fewer than five such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations.

Independent Investment Banker means any of Barclays Capital Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. or Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. and their respective successors as selected by us, or if none of such firms is willing or able to serve as such, an independent investment and banking institution of national standing appointed by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer means:

Barclays Capital Inc., Goldman, Sachs & Co. and one other primary U.S. Government securities dealer in the United States (Primary Treasury Dealer) selected by Scotia Capital (USA) Inc. and their respective successors; provided that, if any such firm or its successors ceases to be a Primary Treasury Dealer, we will substitute another Primary Treasury Dealer; and

up to two other Primary Treasury Dealers selected by us.

Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any Redemption Date, the average, as determined by the Independent Investment Banker, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to the Independent Investment Banker at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such Redemption Date.

**The Trustee and Series Trustee**

The series trustee for this series of Senior Notes will be U.S. Bank National Association. The series trustee will administer its corporate trust business at U.S. Bank Corporate Trust Services, 1021 East Cary Street, Suite 1850, Richmond, VA 23219. We and certain of our affiliates maintain deposit accounts and banking relationships with U.S. Bank National Association. U.S. Bank National Association and its affiliates have purchased, and are likely to purchase in the

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future, our securities and securities of our affiliates.

The trustee under the Senior Indenture is The Bank of New York Mellon (successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (formerly known as The Chase Manhattan Bank)). We and certain of our affiliates maintain deposit accounts and banking relationships with The Bank of New York Mellon. The Bank of New York Mellon also serves as trustee under other indentures under which we and certain of our affiliates have issued securities. The Bank of New York Mellon and its affiliates have purchased, and are likely to purchase in the future, our securities and securities of our affiliates.

## **BOOK-ENTRY PROCEDURES AND SETTLEMENT**

Upon issuance, the Senior Notes will be represented by one or more fully registered global certificates. Each global certificate will be deposited with the series trustee on behalf of DTC and will be registered in the name of DTC or a nominee of DTC. DTC will thus be the only registered holder of these securities.

The following is based on information furnished to us by DTC:

DTC, the world's largest securities depository, is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. DTC holds and provides asset servicing for over 3.5 million issues of U.S. and non-U.S. equity issues, corporate and municipal debt issues, and money market instruments (from over 100 countries) that DTC's participants (Direct Participants) deposit with DTC. DTC also facilitates the post-trade settlement among Direct Participants of sales and other securities transactions in deposited securities, through electronic computerized book-entry transfers and pledges between Direct Participants' accounts. This eliminates the need for physical movement of securities certificates. Direct Participants include both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations, and certain other organizations. DTC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC). DTCC is the holding company for DTC, National Securities Clearing Corporation and Fixed Income Clearing Corporation, all of which are registered clearing agencies. DTCC is owned by the users of its regulated subsidiaries. Access to the DTC system is also available to others such as both U.S. and non-U.S. securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, and clearing corporations that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Direct Participant, either directly or indirectly (Indirect Participants). DTC has Standard & Poor's highest rating: AAA. The DTC Rules applicable to its Participants are on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission. More information about DTC can be found at [www.dtcc.com](http://www.dtcc.com) and [www.dtc.org](http://www.dtc.org).

Purchases of the Senior Notes under the DTC system must be made by or through Direct Participants, which will

receive a credit for the Senior Notes on DTC's records. The ownership interest of each actual purchaser of each Senior Note

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(Beneficial Owner) is in turn to be recorded on the Direct and Indirect Participants' records. Beneficial Owners will not receive written confirmation from DTC of their purchase. Beneficial Owners are, however, expected to receive written confirmations providing details of the transaction, as well as periodic statements of their holdings, from the Direct or Indirect Participant through which the Beneficial Owner entered into the transaction. Transfers of ownership interests in the Senior Notes are to be accomplished by entries made on the books of Direct and Indirect Participants acting on behalf of Beneficial Owners. Beneficial Owners will not receive certificates representing their ownership interests in the Senior Notes, except in the event that use of the book-entry system for the Senior Notes is discontinued.

To facilitate subsequent transfers, all of the Senior Notes deposited by Direct Participants with DTC are registered in the name of DTC's partnership nominee, Cede & Co., or such other name as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. The deposit of the Senior Notes with DTC and their registration in the name of Cede & Co. or such other DTC nominee do not effect any change in beneficial ownership. DTC has no knowledge of the actual Beneficial Owners of the Senior Notes; DTC's records reflect only the identity of the Direct Participants to whose accounts such Senior Notes are credited, which may or may not be the Beneficial Owners. The Direct and Indirect Participants will remain responsible for keeping account of their holdings on behalf of their customers.

Conveyance of notices and other communications by DTC to Direct Participants, by Direct Participants to Indirect Participants, and by Direct Participants and Indirect Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by arrangements among them, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time.

Neither DTC nor Cede & Co. (nor any other DTC nominee) will consent or vote with respect to the Senior Notes unless authorized by a Direct Participant in accordance with DTC's MMI Procedures. Under its usual procedures, DTC mails an Omnibus Proxy to the Company as soon as possible after the record date. The Omnibus Proxy assigns Cede & Co.'s consenting or voting rights to those Direct Participants to whose accounts the Senior Notes are credited on the record date (identified in a listing attached to the Omnibus Proxy).

Redemption proceeds on the Senior Notes will be made to Cede & Co., or such other nominee as may be requested by an authorized representative of DTC. DTC's practice is to credit Direct Participants' accounts upon DTC's receipt of funds and corresponding detail information from the Company or its agent, on payable date in accordance with their respective holdings shown on DTC's records. Payments by Participants to Beneficial Owners will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of such Participant and not of DTC, the Company or its agent, subject to any statutory or regulatory requirements as may be in effect from time to time. Payment of redemption proceeds, distributions, and dividend payments to Cede & Co. (or such other nominee as may be requested by an

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authorized representative of DTC) is the responsibility of the Company or its agent, disbursement of such payments to Direct Participants will be the responsibility of DTC, and disbursement of such payments to the Beneficial Owners will be the responsibility of Direct and Indirect Participants.

DTC may discontinue providing its services as depository with respect to the Senior Notes at any time by giving reasonable notice to the Company or its agent. Under such circumstances, in the event that a successor depository is not obtained, Senior Note certificates are required to be printed and delivered. The Company may decide to discontinue use of the system of book-entry-only transfers through DTC (or a successor securities depository). In that event, Senior Note certificates will be printed and delivered to DTC.

The information in this section concerning DTC and DTC's book-entry system has been obtained from sources that we believe to be reliable, but we take no responsibility for the accuracy thereof.

We have no responsibility for the performance by DTC or its Participants of their respective obligations as described in this prospectus or under the rules and procedures governing their respective operations.

## **CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSIDERATIONS FOR NON-U.S. HOLDERS**

This discussion summarizes certain U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to the Senior Notes applicable to Non-U.S. Holders (as defined below). This discussion is based on interpretations of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), Treasury regulations issued thereunder, and rulings and decisions currently in effect (or in some cases proposed), all of which are subject to change. Any such change may be applied retroactively and may adversely affect the U.S. federal income tax consequences described herein. **This discussion does not deal with all of the U.S. federal income tax consequences that may be relevant to particular investors who are not Non-U.S. Holders or to investors subject to special treatment under U.S. federal income tax laws, nor does it deal with the tax consequences under the laws of any foreign, state or local taxing jurisdictions. Accordingly, prospective investors are urged to consult their own tax advisers with respect to the U.S. federal, state and local tax consequences of investing in the Senior Notes, as well as any consequences arising under the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction to which they may be subject.**

As used in this discussion, the term "Non-U.S. Holder" means a beneficial owner of Senior Notes that is, for U.S. federal income tax purposes:

a nonresident alien individual (but not a United States expatriate),

a foreign corporation other than a controlled foreign corporation or a passive foreign investment company,