

ENTERGY GULF STATES, INC.  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS  
Docket No. 22356

Response of: Entergy Gulf States, Inc.  
to the Seventeenth Set of Data Requests  
of Requesting Party: Cities

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Question No.: CITIES 17-13

Part No.:

Addendum:

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**Please provide a copy of all supporting calculations and workpapers in either Lotus or Excel format.**

Explain and document the response to Cities' 17-12. Provide copies of all relevant analyses prepared by or for EGS and/or Entergy, or in the possession of EGS or Entergy.

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Response:

The potential entry barriers listed in the Company's response to Cities 17-12 are generally considered to be the most important when considering the entry of new electricity generating facilities. Such facilities must have each of the items in the first 5 bullets in the Company's response to Cities 17-12. Any impediment in obtaining these needed inputs would potentially lengthen the period of time needed to complete the construction of a new generation plant. Entergy has not systematically studied the actual experience with generators obtaining these inputs. The rapid development of new generation in this region, however, strongly suggests that such factors are not impeding the entry of new suppliers in actuality. Entergy expects that about 6,300 MWs of new merchant capacity will be operational by the year 2002. In addition, Entergy has received expressions of interest in new interconnections from substantially more generation than this.

The final bullet in the previous answer suggests that limits on price responsive load will also be an important consideration in the future.