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Nov 16, 1999	12.70							
Nov 17, 1999	14.50							
Nov 18, 1999	14.80							
Nov 19, 1999	14.60							
Nov 20, 1999	1.50							
Nov 21, 1999	3.50							
Nov 22, 1999	11.70							
Nov 23, 1999	12.80							
Nov 24, 1999	2.40							
Nov 25, 1999								
Nov 26, 1999	3.50							
Nov 27, 1999	5.0							
Nov 28, 1999	1.50							
Nov 29, 1999	9.40							
Nov 30, 1999	15.30							
Nov 31, 1999								
Dec 1, 1999	14.50							
Dec 2, 1999	11.60							
Dec 3, 1999	7.30							
Dec 4, 1999	5.60							
Dec 5, 1999	4.30							
Dec 6, 1999	14.50							
Dec 7, 1999	15.00							
Dec 8, 1999	14.70							
Dec 9, 1999	13.50							
Dec 10, 1999	16.30							
Dec 11, 1999								
Dec 12, 1999								
Dec 13, 1999								
Dec 14, 1999								
Dec 15, 1999								
Total:	240.5							

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Dec 16, 1999	16.90							
Dec 17, 1999	12.80							
Dec 18, 1999	4.60							
Dec 19, 1999	7.80							
Dec 20, 1999	14.70							
Dec 21, 1999	16.00							
Dec 22, 1999	16.50							
Dec 23, 1999	6.20							
Dec 24, 1999								
Dec 25, 1999								
Dec 26, 1999	2.50							
Dec 27, 1999	16.50							
Dec 28, 1999	17.20							
Dec 29, 1999	12.00							
Dec 30, 1999	12.50							
Dec 31, 1999	5.0							
Jan 1, 2000	5.0							
Jan 2, 2000	10.							
Jan 3, 2000	16.0							
Jan 4, 2000	15.50							
Jan 5, 2000	15.80							
Jan 6, 2000	16.30							
Jan 7, 2000	11.0							
Jan 8, 2000								
Jan 9, 2000								
Jan 10, 2000								
Jan 11, 2000	4.80							
Jan 12, 2000								
Jan 13, 2000	7.50							
Jan 14, 2000	5.00							
Jan 15, 2000								
Total:	268.1							

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Jan 16, 2000								
Jan 17, 2000			9.60					
Jan 18, 2000	11.90							
Jan 19, 2000	11.50							
Jan 20, 2000		7.40						
Jan 21, 2000		4.80						
Jan 22, 2000								
Jan 23, 2000								
Jan 24, 2000			5.60					
Jan 25, 2000			9.50					
Jan 26, 2000	10.30							
Jan 27, 2000			12.80					
Jan 28, 2000			5.50					
Jan 29, 2000								
Jan 30, 2000								
Jan 31, 2000	10.30							
Feb 1, 2000		12.80						
Feb 2, 2000		11.50						
Feb 3, 2000		11.30						
Feb 4, 2000		8.30						
Feb 5, 2000								
Feb 6, 2000								
Feb 7, 2000		3.40						
Feb 8, 2000		8.50						
Feb 9, 2000		13.40						
Feb 10, 2000		11.80						
Feb 11, 2000		5.70		2.00				7.7
Feb 12, 2000								
Feb 13, 2000		2.50						
Feb 14, 2000		4.30	2.20	6.50				13
Feb 15, 2000		2.40	8.40					10.8
Column Totals:	44	108.1	53.6	8.5	214.2	(Grand Total)		

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Jan 16, 2000		11.50						
Feb 17 2000	1.0	11.30						12.3
Feb 18, 2000		9.40						
Feb 19, 2000								
Feb 20, 2000								
Feb 21, 2000		12.60						
Feb 22, 2000		12.00	1.50					13.5
Feb 23, 2000		8.90	6.00					14.9
Feb 24, 2000		6.00	7.50					13.5
Feb 25, 2000		2.60	4.80					7.4
Feb 26, 2000								
Feb 27, 2000								
Feb 28, 2000		11.60	1.50					13.1
Feb 29, 2000		11.50	3.00					14.5
Mar 1, 2000		12.30	2.00					14.3
Mar 2, 2000		10.80	3.40					14.2
Mar 3, 2000		2.50	4.60					7.1
Mar 4, 2000		2.50	1.50					4
Mar 5, 2000		3.00	3.40					6.4
Mar 6, 2000		11.50	3.60					15.1
Mar 7, 2000		14.70						
Mar 8, 2000		15.50	1.0					16.5
Mar 9, 2000		14.20	1.2					15.4
Mar 10, 2000		13.70		.50				14.2
Mar 11, 2000								
Mar 12, 2000		4.00						
Mar 13, 2000		5.00						
Mar 14, 2000		16.30						
Mar 15, 2000		16.40	.40					16.8
Column Totals:	1.00	239.8	45.4	.50	286.7	(Grand Total)		

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Mar 16, 2000		14.90						
Mar 17, 2000		13.30						
Mar 18, 2000		5.60						
Mar 19, 2000		6.40						
Mar 20, 2000		14.50						
Mar 21, 2000		16.20						
Mar 22, 2000		13.80						
Mar 23, 2000		15.70						
Mar 24, 2000		14.90						
Mar 25, 2000		13.90						
Mar 26, 2000		16.00						
Mar 27, 2000		16.10						
Mar 28, 2000		12.00						
Mar 29, 2000		11.80						
Mar 30, 2000		3.30						
Mar 31, 2000								
Apr 1, 2000								
Apr 2, 2000								
Apr 3, 2000								
Apr 4, 2000								
Apr 5, 2000		1.70		.70				2.4
Apr 6, 2000	1.00	2.50	4.00	1.50				9
Apr 7, 2000	3.60	2.30						5.9
Apr 8, 2000								
Apr 9, 2000								
Apr 10, 2000		2.40	1.00	3.50				6.9
Apr 11, 2000								
Apr 12, 2000								
Apr 13, 2000								
Apr 14, 2000								
Apr 15, 2000				.50				
Column Totals:	4.6	197.3	5	6.2	213.1	(Grand Total)		

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Apr 16, 2000								
Apr 17, 2000								
Apr 18, 2000								
Apr 19, 2000								
Apr 20, 2000								
Apr 21, 2000								
Apr 22, 2000								
Apr 23, 2000								
Apr 24, 2000		4.5	1.50					6
Apr 25, 2000	1	5.90		.50				7.4
Apr 26, 2000	2	4.90	1.00					7.9
Apr 27, 2000	3	1.50	1.30					5.8
Apr 28, 2000	.5	4.50	.50					5.5
Apr 29, 2000								
Apr 30, 2000								
Apr 31, 2000								
May 1, 2000	3.6	2.10	2.50					8.2
May 2, 2000		4.80	1.00					5.8
May 3, 2000		6.80	3.00					9.8
May 4, 2000		6.50						
May 5, 2000								
May 6, 2000								
May 7, 2000								
May 8, 2000		6.50	2.50					9
May 9, 2000		2.00		1.0				3
May 10, 2000	3.50	1.60		1.0				6.1
May 11, 2000				10.30				
May 12, 2000		1.60	1.50	5.80				8.9
May 13, 2000								
May 14, 2000								
May 15, 2000		3.10		2.50				5.6
Column Totals:	13.6	56.3	14.8	21.1	105.8	(Grand Total)		

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May 16, 2000	3	2.50		2.00				7.5
May 17, 2000	1.50	6.40						7.9
May 18, 2000		6.80						
May 19, 2000		3.50						
May 20, 2000	1.00							
May 21, 2000	1.50							
May 22, 2000		2.50						
May 23, 2000	5.80							
May 24, 2000	2.00	3.90						5.9
May 25, 2000	1.50	3.00						4.5
May 26, 2000	3.90	4.50	1.50					9.9
May 27, 2000								
May 28, 2000								
May 29, 2000		2.50						
May 30, 2000	2.50	2.0						4.5
May 31, 2000	1.50		7.50					9
Jun 1, 2000	2.60		4.30					6.9
Jun 2, 2000	2.10	3.00	4.40					9.5
Jun 3, 2000								
Jun 4, 2000	1.00							
Jun 5, 2000		1.00	6.10					7.1
Jun 6, 2000	2.80		4.10					6.9
Jun 7, 2000	8.40	1.30	3.00					12.7
Jun 8, 2000	2.60		2.90					5.5
Jun 9, 2000	3.70	2.90						6.6
Jun 10, 2000								
Jun 11, 2000	1.50	1.00						2.5
Jun 12, 2000	3.60	5.80						9.4
Jun 13, 2000	5.70	4.60						10.3
Jun 14, 2000	2.50	5.70						8.2
Jun 15, 2000	3.80	4.10						7.9
Column Totals:	64.5	67	33.8	2.00	167.3	(Grand Total)		

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	SB7	April File	21957	Transco			Daily Totals (if multiple)
Jun 16, 2000			3.00				
Jun 17, 2000							
Jun 18, 2000		3.30					
Jun 19, 2000	5.20	5.10					10.3
Jun 20, 2000		10.70					
Jun 21, 2000	5.30						
Jun 22, 2000	4.90						
Jun 23, 2000							
Jun 24, 2000							
Jun 25, 2000							
Jun 26, 2000							
Jun 27, 2000							
Jun 28, 2000							
Jun 29, 2000	2.3	2.00					4.3
Jun 30, 2000							
Jun 31, 2000							
Jul 1, 2000							
Jul 2, 2000							
Jul 3, 2000	2.50						
Jul 4, 2000	2.0	1.00					3
Jul 5, 2000	1.50	2.70					4.2
Jul 6, 2000	1.00						
Jul 7, 2000				3.50			
Jul 8, 2000							
Jul 9, 2000		4.50					
Jul 10, 2000		10.0					
Jul 11, 2000		11.30					
Jul 12, 2000		10.0	2.70				12.7
Jul 13, 2000		10.0					
Jul 14, 2000			6.40				
Jul 15, 2000		1.00	2.50				3.5
Column Total	24.7	71.6	14.6	3.50	114.4	(Grand Total)	

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	SB7	April File	21957	21984				Daily Totals (if multiple)
Jul 16, 2000								
Jul 17, 2000		11.50						
Jul 18, 2000		7.40						
Jul 19, 2000		6.90						
Jul 20, 2000		4.80						
Jul 21, 2000		7.50						
Jul 22, 2000		2.10						
Jul 23, 2000		5.90						
Jul 24, 2000		1.50						
Jul 25, 2000		8.50						
Jul 26, 2000	2	4.00						6
Jul 27, 2000	1							
Jul 28, 2000	1	14.00						15
Jul 29, 2000	2	4.50						6.5
Jul 30, 2000	2.5							
Jul 31, 2000	3.2	4.80						8
Aug 1, 2000		5.80						
Aug 2, 2000	1.30	4.60						5.9
Aug 3, 2000								
Aug 4, 2000		1.30						
Aug 5, 2000								
Aug 6, 2000		4.00						
Aug 7, 2000		10.40						
Aug 8, 2000		3.60						
Aug 9, 2000	5.3	2.00						7.3
Aug 10, 2000	7.00	4.00						11
Aug 11, 2000		4.00						
Aug 12, 2000								
Aug 13, 2000								
Aug 14, 2000								
Aug 15, 2000								
Column Totals:	25.3	123.1			148.4	(Grand Total)		

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	SB7	April File	21957	21984				
Aug 16, 2000	2.50							
Aug 17, 2000	1.0							
Aug 18, 2000	1.0							
Aug 19, 2000								
Aug 20, 2000								
Aug 21, 2000								
Aug 22, 2000								
Aug 23, 2000								
Aug 24, 2000								
Aug 25, 2000								
Aug 26, 2000								
Aug 27, 2000								
Aug 28, 2000								
Aug 29, 2000								
Aug 30, 2000								
Aug 31, 2000								
Sep 1, 2000								
Sep 2, 2000								
Sep 3, 2000								
Sep 4, 2000								
Sep 5, 2000								
Sep 6, 2000								
Sep 7, 2000								
Sep 8, 2000								
Sep 9, 2000								
Sep 10, 2000								
Sep 11, 2000								
Sep 12, 2000								
Sep 13, 2000								
Sep 14, 2000								
Sep 15, 2000								
Column Total:	8.50							

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Days with Multiple Time Entries Totaling Over 12 Hours

1.	Feb 14, 2000	4.30 hours for the April Filing (3943-S14) 2.20 hours for Docket 21957 (3943-S19) 6.50 hours for Docket 21984 (3943-S21) 13.00 hours total	-1.0
2.	Feb 17, 2000	1.0 hours for SB 7 (3946-S3) 11.30 hours for April Filing (3946-S7) 12.3 hours total	-0.3
3.	Feb 22, 2000	12.00 hours for SB 7 (3946-S8) 1.50 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S15) 13.50 hours total	-1.5
4.	Feb 23, 2000	8.90 hours for SB 7 (3946-S8) 6.00 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S15) 14.90 hours total	-2.9
5.	Feb 24, 2000	6.00 hours for SB 7 (3946-S9) 7.50 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S15) 13.50 hours total	-1.5
6.	Feb 28, 2000	11.60 hours for SB 7 (3946-S9) 1.50 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S16) 13.10 hours total	-1.1
7.	Feb 29, 2000	11.50 hours for SB 7 (3946-S9) 3.00 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S16) 14.50 hours total	-2.5
8.	Mar 1, 2000	12.30 hours for SB 7 (3946-S10)* 2.00 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S16) 14.30 hours total	-2.0
9.	Mar 2, 2000	10.80 hours for SB 7 (3946-S10) 3.40 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S16) 14.20 hours total	-2.2
10.	Mar 6, 2000	11.50 hours for SB 7 (3946-S11) 3.60 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S18) 15.10 hours total	-3.1

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11.	Mar 8, 2000	15.50 hours for SB 7 (3946-S12)* 1.00 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S18) 16.50 hours total	-1.0
12.	Mar 9, 2000	14.20 hours for SB 7 (3946-S12)* 1.20 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S19) 15.40 hours total	-1.2
13.	Mar 10, 2000	13.70 hours for SB 7 (3946-S12)* .50 hours for Dkt. 21984 (3946-S21) 14.20 hours total	-0.5
14.	Mar 15, 2000	16.40 hours for SB 7 (3946-S14)* .40 hours for Dkt. 21957 (3946-S19) 16.80 hours total	-0.4
15.	June 7, 2000	8.40 hours for SB 7 (65) 1.30 hours for April Filing (73) 3.00 hours for Dkt 21957 (78) 12.70 hours total	-0.7
16.	July 12, 2000	10.00 hours for April Filing (97) 2.70 hours for Dkt 21957 (98) 12.70 hours total	-0.7
17.	July 28, 2000	1.00 hour for SB 7 (110) 14.00 hours for April Filing (115)† 15.00 hours total	-1.0
Total if all additional hours over 12.0 were disallowed			-23.6

* Hours in excess of 12.0 disallowed in Exh JKT-4 due to insufficient billing detail.

† Hours in excess of 12.0 allowed in Exh JKT-4.

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Proceedings Included as "SB 7" Matter on Bickerstaff Invoices

- 20936 Rulemaking: *Code of Conduct for Electric Utilities Pursuant to PURA Section 39.157(d)*. (Code of conduct). EGSI and Shell filed comments in this proceeding.
- 20944 Rulemaking: *Relating to Renewable Energy Mandate under Section 39.904 of Utilities Code* (Renewable energy). EGSI and Shell filed comments in this proceeding.
- 20970 Implementation Project: *Plan for Implementing SB 7*. (SB7 Implementation). This project developed the general procedures and timelines for the various rulemakings and projects required by SB7. EGSI and Shell filed comments in this proceeding.
- 21072 Rulemaking: *Goal for natural gas generating capacity*. (Natural gas goal). Although the PUC interchange does not indicate that neither EGSI or Shell filed anything in this docket there are billing entries on Bickerstaff invoices indicating that EGSI participated in this proceeding.
- 21082 Rulemaking: *Certification of Retail Electric Providers (REPs) and Registration of Power Generation Companies and Aggregators; Forms*. (REP Certification) EGSI and Shell filed comments in this docket.
- 21083 Implementation Project: *Cost Unbundling and Separation of Utility Business Activities, Including Separation of Competitive Energy Services and Distributed Generation*. (Business separation). This project developed a rate filing package in compliance with SB7 section 39.201(a). EGSI and Shell filed comments in this docket.
- 21232 Rulemaking: *Rule Changes to Conform Rules to Electric Restructuring Act* (Rule Changes). EGSI filed comments in this docket. Shell did not file comments in this docket.
- 21251 Implementation Project: *Implementation of SB 7 Provisions Regarding Customer Education about Electric Choice*. (Customer education). This project developed the educational program to inform customers of the changes in the electric market resulting from SB7. Although there is no indication on the PUC interchange that EGSI filed anything, there are billing entries on Bickerstaff invoices indicating that EGSI participated in this proceeding.
- 21406 Rulemaking: *Standards for Recognition of Costs of Environmental Clean-up or Plant Retirement* (Environmental Costs). EGSI filed comments in this docket. Shell did not file comments in this docket.
- 22255 Rulemaking: *PUC Rulemaking Proceeding for Customer Protection Rules for Electric Restructuring Implementing SB7 and SB 86*. (Customer Protection). EGSI filed comments in this docket. Shell filed comments in this proceeding, but not signed by Chris Reeder.
- 22344 *Generic Issues Associated with Applications for Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rate Pursuant to PURA Section 39.201 and Public Utility Commission Subst. R. 25.344* (UCOS

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Generic Issues). EGSI filed pleadings in this proceeding. Shell filed pleadings in this proceeding, but not signed by Chris Reeder.

"SB 7" Activities By Month

June - July 1999

20936 (Code of conduct): EGSI filed comments.

20944 (Renewable energy): EGSI filed comments.

21083 (Business separation): Workshops¹

July - August 1999

21072 (Natural gas goal): Workshop.

21083 (Business separation): Workshops.

Other: Securitization; renewable issues.

August - September 1999

20936 (Code of conduct): EGSI filed comments.

20944 (Renewable energy): EGSI filed comments on hypothetical scenarios, reply comments on hypothetical scenarios.

21251 (Customer education): Workshop

Other: business separation plan work; research and monitoring co-generation plant permits at the TNRCC; customer education/protection issues; energy efficiency workshop.

September - October 1999

20936 (Code of conduct): EGSI filed reply comments.

21251 (Customer education): Workshop

October - November 1999

¹"Workshop(s)" means that the PUC interchange includes a transcript for a workshop and the Bickerstaff invoices include a reference to a Bickerstaff attorney attending the workshop

20936 (Code of conduct): EGSi participated in the hearing.

20944 (Renewable energy): EGSi filed comments and reply comments.

21072 (Natural gas goal): Public comment hearing.

21082 (REP certification) Prepare comments.

21083 (Business separation): Workshops; EGSi filed comments and reply comments on the proposed unbundling rule; comments on the proposed business separation plan filing; a brief and a reply brief on confidentiality issues; and comments and reply on the proposed unbundled cost of service rate filing package

Other: "corporate split" issue, corporate support services, cost classification, and the REP issue. There was also work on "January Filing."

November - December 1999

20970 (SB7 Implementation): EGSi filed comments on the interpretation of section 39.51 and a reply brief.

21083 (Business separation): prepare testimony, prepare for filing.

21232 (Rule Changes): Participate in conference calls and prepare for hearing.

Other: prepare for "January Filing." Follow TXU and CP&L securitization hearings.

December - January 2000

21082 (REP certification) Prepare joint redline, prepare draft comments.

21083 (Business separation): Workshop; PBR issues.

21406 (Environmental costs): comments.

Other: Prepare testimony and exhibits for "January Filing." Follow TXU and CP&L securitization hearings.

January - February 2000

21082 (REP certification) Prepare comments.

21083 (Business separation): PBR issues.

Other: Follow TXU, Reliant and CP&L securitization hearings, distributed generation tariff.

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February - March 2000

21406 (Environmental costs): review comments.

21083 (Business separation): Workshop.

Other: securitization, GLO tariff, POLR workshop, "contract issues"

March - April 2000

21082 (REP certification) Comments on strawman.

Other: securitization, POLR workshop, "contract issues", "transco issues."

April - May 2000

21406 (Environmental costs): summarize comments.

21082 (REP certification) Prepare and file comments.

Other: "transco issues," POLR rulemaking hearing.

May - June 2000

21082 (REP certification) Prepare and file comments.

21251 (Customer education): Workshop

21406 (Environmental costs): comments.

June - July 2000

21406 (Environmental costs): Reply comments.

22255 (Customer protection): comments

Other: "market power" issues; PTB workshop.

July - August 2000

22344 (UCOS Generic) review filings, prepare presentation.

22255 (Customer protection): review rules

Other: POLR issues

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ATTORNEY WORK PRODUCT**

ENTERGY GULF STATES, INC.
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS
Docket No. 31544 Transition to Competition Cost Case

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

Prepared By: Counsel
Sponsoring Witnesses: Phillip R. May / J.
Kay Trostle
Beginning Sequence No.
Ending Sequence No.

Question No.: Cities 21-5

Part No.:

Addendum:

Question:

For any errors or corrections to the pre-filed or rebuttal testimony in this case,
please provide the following:

- a. Amount of the correction or change for each corrected item; and
 - b. Corrected schedules in electronic format and in hard copy.
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Response:

a. In preparing its responses to various RFIs, the Company has identified the
following adjustments to the TTC costs requested in this docket.

In the Company's response to State RFI 1-23 (the initial response and addendum
1), the Company noted a net undercharge of \$75.50.

In the Company's response to State RFI 1-36, the Company noted a net
undercharge of \$1,422.00.

In the Company's response to TIEC RFI 1-7, addendum 1, the Company listed a
total of \$7,865.92 that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this
docket.

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In the Company's response to Cities RFI 16-9, the Company identified \$445.50 that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this docket.

In the Company's response to Cities RFI 16-14, the Company identified \$390.00 that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this docket.

In the Company's response to Cities RFI 16-30, the Company identified \$480.50 that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this docket.

In the Company's response to Cities RFI 24-12, the Company identified \$5,755.93 that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this docket.

The net of these adjustments is \$13,440.35 of costs, exclusive of carrying costs, that should not have been included in the TTC costs requested in this docket. Assuming that during the remainder of this docket, no offsetting undercharges or calculation corrections are discovered, then the recoverable expenses requested in the Planning & Regulatory class of TTC Costs, sponsored by Company witness Phillip R. May, would be reduced by \$13,440.35, excluding carrying costs.

b. Not applicable.

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SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-06-0092
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APPLICATION OF ENTERGY	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
GULF STATES, INC. FOR	§	
RECOVERY OF TRANSITION	§	
TO COMPETITION COSTS	§	OF TEXAS

REBUTTAL TESTIMONY

OF

J. DAVID WRIGHT

ON BEHALF OF

ENTERGY GULF STATES, INC.

FEBRUARY 10, 2006

SOAH DOCKET NO. 473-06-0092

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APPLICATION OF
ENTERGY GULF STATES, INC.
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1 I. WITNESS INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE OF TESTIMONY

2 Q. PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND BUSINESS ADDRESS.

3 A. My name is J. David Wright. My business address is Entergy Services,
4 Inc., 425 West Capitol Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas 72201.

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6 Q. ARE YOU THE SAME J. DAVID WRIGHT WHO FILED DIRECT
7 TESTIMONY IN THIS DOCKET ON AUGUST 24, 2005?

8 A. Yes. For both my direct and rebuttal testimony, I am testifying on behalf of
9 Entergy Gulf States, Inc. ("EGSI" or the "Company").

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11 Q. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF YOUR REBUTTAL TESTIMONY?

12 A. I address the testimony of various Intervenor witnesses on the following
13 topics:

14 1. The Commission should use the results of EGSI's Annual
15 Reports as filed and, thus, should not use this docket to
16 make rate case adjustments to those results.

17 2. Even if the Commission entertains the proposed adjustments
18 to the Annual Reports, the Commission should reject those
19 adjustments for lack of merit.

20 3. EGSI has not previously recovered the Transition to
21 Competition ("TTC") labor costs.

22 4. The allowance for funds used during construction ("AFUDC")
23 that accrued on the TTC capital projects is a legitimate cost
24 of a capital project and, thus, EGSI should be allowed to
25 recover the AFUDC on the TTC capital projects.

26 5. Capital overhead charges are a legitimate cost component of
27 the TTC capital projects, and EGSI should be allowed to
28 recover those charges.

1 6. EGSI should be allowed to recover carrying costs on its TTC
2 expenses.

3 7. The carrying costs over the fifteen-year TTC cost recovery
4 period should be EGSI's overall cost of capital approved in
5 EGSI's last base rate case, Docket No. 20150.

6 In addition, as requested in the testimony of Staff witness Anna
7 Givens, I also have determined the AFUDC associated with Staff witness
8 Adrianne G. Brandt's proposed adjustment to various TTC costs.

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10 II. USE OF UNADJUSTED ANNUAL REPORTS

11 Q. WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU DISCUSS IN THIS SECTION OF YOUR
12 TESTIMONY?

13 A. I discuss the use of the Annual Reports that the Company filed with the
14 Commission under Public Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") section 39.257.
15 The Annual Reports for the calendar years 1999 through 2004 were
16 provided in my Direct Testimony as Exhibit JDW-4.

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18 Q. WHAT DO THE INTERVENOR WITNESSES SAY ABOUT THE USE OF
19 THE ANNUAL REPORTS?

20 A. Dr. Szerszen, Mr. Pous, and Mr. Pollock testify that the Commission
21 should not use the results of the Annual Reports to determine whether the
22 Company had excess earnings in the years 1999 through 2004 or whether
23 the Company has previously recovered its TTC costs. They say, instead,
24 that, in this docket, the Commission should make some of the same types

1 of adjustments to the Annual Reports that one would make in a base rate
2 case.¹

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4 Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH DR. SZERSZEN, MR. POUS, AND MR.
5 POLLOCK THAT THE RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL REPORTS NEED TO
6 BE ADJUSTED IN THIS PROCEEDING?

7 A. No. The Commission has previously stated in Docket No. 22344 that
8 restructuring expenses are to be recovered through the Annual Report
9 process.² Thus, allowing the Intervenors to adjust the Annual Reports
10 undercuts the Commission's directive to use the Annual Reports to
11 recover TTC Costs. Accordingly, the Commission should not make
12 adjustments to the Annual Reports in this docket for the following four
13 reasons.

14 First, the Annual Reports are different from the Earnings Monitoring
15 Reports that some utilities—but not EGSI—were required to file during the
16 TTC cost period under Commission Substantive Rule 25.73. Dr. Szerszen
17 explicitly refers to EGSI's Annual Reports as Earnings Monitoring
18 Reports.³ Having incorrectly characterized the Annual Reports as

¹ Direct Testimony of Carol Szerszen at page 4, line 8 through page 6, line 3; Direct Testimony of Jacob Pous at page 47, line 15 through page 48, line 6; Direct Testimony of Jeffry Pollock at page 7, line 24 through page 8, line 6, and at page 51, line 2 through page 53, line 12.

² *Generic Issues Associated with Applications for Approval of Unbundled Cost of Service Rate Pursuant to PURA § 39.201 and Public Utility Commission Substantive Rule § 25.344*, Order No. 17 at 5 (July 24, 2000).

³ Direct Testimony of Carol Szerszen at, e.g., page 6, line 6; and at page 7, line 7 through page 8, line 20.

1 Earnings Monitoring Reports, she then assumes that whatever
2 adjustments one would make to an Earnings Monitoring Report also are
3 applicable to the Annual Reports. Although Messrs. Pous and Pollock do
4 not refer to the Annual Reports as Earnings Monitoring Reports, they
5 likewise treat the Annual Reports as if they were Earnings Monitoring
6 Reports. All three of these witnesses fail to recognize the distinction
7 between the two types of reports.

8 Second, the Commission has already established that the results of
9 the Annual Reports, without additional adjustments, will be used to
10 determine the level of excess earnings applicable to TTC cost recovery.

11 Third, the Commission has already approved the results of EGSI's
12 Annual Reports for the calendar years 1999, 2000, and 2001. Dr.
13 Szerszen and Messrs. Pous and Pollock are, in effect, asking the
14 Commission to ignore or circumvent the orders approving those Annual
15 Reports.

16 Fourth, the Annual Reports that the Company filed with the
17 Commission for the calendar years 2002, 2003, and 2004 were completed
18 using the same format and instructions used for the years 1999 through
19 2001.

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21 Q. YOUR FIRST REASON FOR DISAGREEING WITH THE INTERVENOR
22 WITNESSES IS THAT THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE
23 ANNUAL REPORTS AND THE EARNINGS MONITORING REPORTS.

1 PLEASE EXPLAIN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO TYPES OF
2 REPORTS.

3 A. An electric utility subject to a rate freeze under Senate Bill ("SB") 7—such
4 as EGSI—is required to file an Annual Report under PURA section
5 39.257. The results of the Annual Reports are used, without further
6 adjustment, for a variety of purposes such as reducing a utility's recovery
7 of stranded costs, increasing a utility's investment in transmission and
8 distribution plant, and, as I will discuss in my second reason, helping to
9 determine the amount of TTC costs that a utility is allowed to recover from
10 ratepayers.

11 All other electric utilities regulated by the Commission—that is,
12 those electric utilities that are not required to file Annual Reports—file
13 Earnings Monitoring Reports.

14 Prior to SB 7, the Commission required EGSI and other electric
15 utilities to file Earnings Monitoring Reports. The Commission used those
16 reports to make an initial assessment of whether it needed to review an
17 electric utility's earnings in more detail in a base rate proceeding. I agree
18 with Dr. Szerszen that the Commission does not use the Earnings
19 Monitoring Reports to establish the final level of an electric utility's
20 earnings. In addition, the Commission does not issue an order approving
21 or finalizing the Earnings Monitoring Reports. Instead, the final level of an
22 electric utility's base rates (the existence of over-earnings or under-

1 earnings) would be determined after various adjustments were made in a
2 base rate case.

3 After SB 7 took effect, however, the Commission changed its rule
4 on Earnings Monitoring Reports to state that those utilities that are
5 required to file an Annual Report under PURA section 39.257 because
6 they are in a rate freeze—such as EGSI—do not have to file Earnings
7 Monitoring Reports.

8 (b) **Annual earnings report.** Each electric utility not
9 required to file an Annual Report pursuant to the
10 Public Utility Regulatory Act (PURA) §39.257 shall file
11 with the commission, on commission-prescribed
12 forms, an earnings report⁴

13 Therefore, as an electric utility subject to the rate freeze established
14 under SB 7, EGSI has been required to file an Annual Report starting with
15 calendar year 1999. The Annual Reports showed the differences between
16 adjusted annual revenues and annual costs. The difference in any year
17 showed whether EGSI had excess earnings in that year. In completing
18 the Annual Reports, the Company reflected and adjusted its various
19 expenses and components of invested capital based upon the instructions
20 in PURA sections 39.258 through 39.260 and the Commission's further
21 instructions. The Commission opened a project for each year's Annual
22 Report (each year's project was for all of the electric utility's Annual

⁴ P.U.C. SUBST. R. 25.73(b). The complete Rule is provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

1 Reports—not just for EGSI's Annual Report). In contrast to the
2 Commission's treatment of the Earnings Monitoring Reports, the
3 Commission has issued Orders approving and finalizing EGSI's Annual
4 Reports for the years 1999 through 2001 (I will discuss these Orders in
5 more detail in my third reason).

6 Consequently, an Earnings Monitoring Reports is a preliminary
7 review of an electric utility's earnings and is not used for any purpose
8 other than to help the Commission determine whether a base rate case
9 may be warranted. In contrast, the results of the Annual Report (that is,
10 the level of earnings) are used for a variety of purpose in later
11 proceedings, but the level of earnings are not subject to change in those
12 later proceedings.

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14 Q. WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO DISTINGUISH THE ANNUAL REPORTS
15 FROM THE EARNINGS MONITORING REPORTS?

16 A. When Dr. Szerszen and Messrs. Pous and Pollock discuss various
17 proposed adjustments to EGSI's Annual Reports, they are presenting the
18 types of adjustments that might be applied to an Earnings Monitoring
19 Report to determine whether a base rate case is warranted or that might
20 be proposed in the base rate case itself. They have failed to recognize
21 that the two types of reports are different and serve different purposes.

1 Q. TURNING NOW TO YOUR SECOND REASON, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW
2 THE COMMISSION HAS USED AN ANNUAL REPORT, WITHOUT
3 ADDITIONAL ADJUSTMENTS, TO DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF
4 EXCESS EARNINGS APPLICABLE TO TTC COST RECOVERY.

5 A. Southwestern Public Service Company ("SPS") was one of the electric
6 utilities that filed an Annual Report under PURA section 39.257 for
7 calendar year 1999. After reviewing SPS's 1999 Annual Report and
8 resolving an appeal involving that Annual Report, the Commission
9 determined that SPS had excess earnings for 1999 (in the amount of
10 \$7,279,138) and ordered SPS to use that level of excess earnings to
11 offset the dollar amount of TTC costs that SPS was requesting in its TTC
12 cost recovery proceeding.⁵ In SPS's TTC cost recovery proceeding
13 (Docket No. 25088), the level of excess earnings was used, without further
14 adjustment, to reduce the amount of TTC costs recovered from
15 ratepayers.⁶ SPS's TTC cost recovery docket was resolved through a
16 unanimous settlement, but the Commission issued its order (in Docket No.
17 25434) directing the use of the 1999 excess earnings to offset TTC costs
18 before the parties reached that settlement.⁷

⁵ *Remand of Southwestern Public Service Company 1999 Annual Report (Project No. 22276)*, Docket No. 25434, Order on Remand at FoF 11 and Ordering Paragraph 2 (March 21, 2002). This Order is provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

⁶ *Application of Southwestern Public Service Company to Recover Transition to Competition Costs Pursuant to Section 39.409 of PURA*, Docket No. 25088, Order at FoF 10 (May 30, 2002). This Order is provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

⁷ *Id.*, at FoFs 6 and 7.

1 Therefore, the Commission has used the results of an approved
2 and finalized Annual Report, without further adjustment, in a TTC cost
3 recovery proceeding. Likewise, here in this docket, the Commission
4 should use the results of EGSI's Annual reports without further
5 adjustments.

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7 Q. YOUR THIRD REASON FOR DISAGREEING WITH THE INTERVENOR
8 WITNESSES IS THAT THE COMMISSION HAS ALREADY ISSUED
9 ORDERS APPROVING AND FINALIZING THE RESULTS IN THE
10 COMPANY'S 1999, 2000, AND 2001 ANNUAL REPORTS. PLEASE
11 EXPLAIN HOW THE COMMISSION HAS HANDLED THE ANNUAL
12 REPORTS FOR THOSE YEARS.

13 A. As I have already mentioned, the Commission opened projects for the
14 electric utilities to file their 1999,⁸ 2000,⁹ and 2001¹⁰ Annual Reports.
15 After EGSI filed its Annual Reports, the Staff and OPC had the opportunity
16 to review those reports and to file any disagreements they had with those
17 reports, and the Commission resolved any disagreements. As a result of
18 the Commission's resolution of those disagreements, EGSI filed revised

⁸ 1999 Electric Utilities' Annual Report Filed Pursuant to § 39.257 of PURA, Project No. 22276.

⁹ 2000 Electric Utilities Annual Report Filed Pursuant to § 39.257 of PURA, Project No. 23806.

¹⁰ 2001 Electric Utilities Annual Report Filed Pursuant to § 39.257 of PURA, Project No. 23806.

1 Annual Reports for 1999 and 2000 (the 2001 Annual Report did not need
2 to be revised because it was filed after the Commission resolved the
3 issues arising from the 1999 and 2000 Annual Reports and, thus, reflects
4 the Commission's resolution of those issues). (The 1999 and 2000
5 Annual Reports provided in my Exhibit JDW-4 are the revised Annual
6 Reports.) The Commission then issued Orders approving and finalizing
7 the results, reflecting any revisions, of EGSI's Annual Reports for those
8 three years. The three Orders are provided in my Exhibit JDW-R-1.

9 Given that the Commission has approved and finalized the results
10 of EGSI's Annual Reports for 1999, 2000, and 2001, the Commission
11 should reject the Intervenor's proposals to use this docket to revisit those
12 results.

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14 Q. AND TURNING NOW TO YOUR FOURTH REASON, PLEASE EXPLAIN
15 HOW THE COMPANY'S 2002, 2003, AND 2004 ANNUAL REPORTS
16 WERE COMPLETED USING THE SAME FORMAT AND
17 INSTRUCTIONS APPLICABLE TO THE THREE EARLIER ANNUAL
18 REPORTS.

19 A. Starting in 2002, when the electric utilities in the Electric Reliability
20 Counsel of Texas implemented retail open access, the Commission did
21 not open a separate project solely for EGSI to file its 2002 Annual Report.
22 Instead, the 2002 Annual Report was filed in Project No. 27312, which
23 was where the other electric utilities filed their Earnings Monitoring

1 Reports. Likewise, EGSI filed its 2003 Annual Report in Project No.
2 29343 and its 2004 Annual Report in Project No. 30805. (The Annual
3 Reports for all three of these years were provided in my Exhibit JDW-4.)

4 The Commission has not issued an order regarding the Annual
5 Reports in any of these projects. These three Annual Reports, however,
6 have been completed using the same instructions and Commission
7 guidelines as used for EGSI's 2001 Annual Report. EGSI's 2001 Annual
8 Report was uncontested and approved and finalized by the Commission
9 without change.¹¹ Thus, the 2002, 2003, and 2004 Annual Reports
10 present an accurate result of EGSI's excess earning for those years as
11 calculated according to the instructions applicable to Annual Reports. In
12 light of their accuracy, the Commission should not allow the Intervenor to
13 propose adjustments to those results that are at odds with the instructions
14 to the Annual Reports.

¹¹ 2001 Electric Utilities Annual Report Filed Pursuant to § 39.257 of PURA, Project No. 23806, Order at ordering paragraph 1 (Dec. 20, 2002).

1 III. PROPOSED ADJUSTMENTS TO THE ANNUAL REPORTS

2 Q. WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU DISCUSS IN THIS SECTION OF YOUR
3 TESTIMONY?

4 A. I discuss the adjustments that the Intervenor witnesses propose to make
5 to the results of the Annual Reports. As I discussed in Section II of my
6 testimony, the Commission should not make adjustments to the results of
7 the Annual Reports. If, however, the Commission entertains the
8 Intervenors' proposed adjustments, then I explain in this section of my
9 testimony that the Commission should reject the proposed adjustments
10 because they lack merit.

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12 A. Merger Savings Tracker

13 Q. MR. POUS EXCLUDES THE O&M MERGER SAVINGS TRACKER
14 ESTABLISHED IN DOCKET NO. 11292.¹² DO YOU AGREE WITH HIS
15 ADJUSTMENT?

16 A. No. Mr. Pous terms these costs fictitious and phantom. Yet, both Public
17 Utility Regulatory Act ("PURA") § 39.258(8) and the instructions for
18 Schedule III of the Annual Reports state that the costs calculated under
19 the merger savings tracker are to be included in the Annual Reports.
20 Consequently, these are legitimate costs to be reflected in the Annual

¹² Direct Testimony of Jacob Pous at page 54, line 13 through page 55, line 18.

1 Reports. The Commission should reject Mr. Pous's proposed adjustment.

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3 Q. WHAT IS THE MERGER SAVINGS TRACKER?

4 A. In the Commission's Order approving the merger between Entergy
5 Corporation and Gulf States Utilities Company (Docket No. 11292), the
6 Commission established a cost tracker mechanism to determine the
7 amount of merger-related O&M expense savings for the first eight years
8 after the merger was completed (1994 – 2001). In any base rate
9 proceeding during that time period, the ratepayers and EGSI would split
10 the merger savings (as measured by the tracker) 50-50. EGSI would
11 receive its half of the merger savings by including its 50% of the merger
12 savings as an expense in its cost of service. The language from the
13 Commission's Order establishing the 50-50 split of merger-related
14 expenses savings is as follows (Docket No. 11292, Ordering Paragraph
15 9(e)):

16 The sharing of non-fuel operations and maintenance expense
17 savings will be implemented in cases which are brought before any
18 Texas regulatory authority during the eight year term of the
19 regulatory plan, including but not limited to cases contemplated by
20 sub-paragraphs b-d above, for the purpose of reviewing the
21 reasonableness of Gulf States' base rates. In any such case,
22 savings to be shared shall be the test year non-fuel operations and
23 maintenance expense merger-related savings as measured by the
24 mechanism defined by paragraphs 6, 7 and 8 and Appendices 1
25 and 2 and as illustrated in Appendix 3 to this agreement. In any
26 such case, Gulf States shall be permitted to include Applicants'
27 share of the non-fuel savings as a reasonable operations and
28 maintenance expense which shall be treated as a reasonable and
29 necessary cost of service adjustment for purposes of establishing
30 Gulf States' revenue requirement.

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2 Q. ARE THE MERGER SAVINGS COSTS INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL
3 REPORTS FOR THE YEARS AFTER 2001?

4 A. No. These costs are included in only the 1999, 2000, and 2001 Annual
5 Reports. Under the Commission's Order in Docket No. 11292, the merger
6 tracker provision expired at the end of 2001. Thus, the Company has not
7 included 50% of the merger savings in the 2002 through 2004 Annual
8 Reports.

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10 B. Inconsistent Rate Base and Expenses

11 Q. IN MAKING HIS ADJUSTMENTS TO EGSI'S ANNUAL REPORTS, HAS
12 MR. POUS TREATED RATE BASE AND EXPENSES CONSISTENTLY?

13 A. No. The instructions to the Annual Report direct the Company to use a
14 year-end level of invested capital for determining the Company's excess
15 return. The Company has followed that instruction. Thus, the Annual
16 Report matches the growth in rate base with the growth in costs and
17 revenue. Mr. Pous, however, takes the growth in costs and revenues and
18 then applies it to an earlier rate base, which has the effect, in his analysis,
19 of over-stating the Company's excess return. Revenues from new
20 customers require additions to plant in service for distribution lines,
21 substations and other plant necessary to provide electric service and
22 produce additional revenues. Mr. Pous's analysis ignores that
23 relationship.

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C. Consolidated Tax Savings

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Q. MS. BLUMENTAL AND DR. SZERZSEN PROPOSE AN ADJUSTMENT
4 TO REFLECT CONSOLIDATED TAX SAVINGS. DO YOU AGREE WITH
5 THIS ADJUSTMENT?

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A. No. Dr. Szerszen testifies that the results in the Annual Reports need to
7 be adjusted to reflect consolidate tax savings, and she relied upon Ms.
8 Blumenthal to calculate the adjustment.¹³ The instructions for the Annual
9 Report, however, state that federal income taxes are to be calculated on a
10 stand-alone basis. Therefore, the Commission should reject this proposed
11 adjustment.

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Moreover, Ms. Blumenthal's calculation of the consolidated tax
13 savings is incorrect.

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Q. PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THE CALCULATION IS INCORRECT?

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A. Ms. Blumental calculated a consolidated tax adjustment of \$21.7 million.
17 Of that amount, \$6.5 million was for 2003. EGSI has a loss in 2003.
18 Under the Commission's method for calculating consolidated tax savings,
19 no consolidated tax savings is supposed to be assigned to a loss
20 Company.¹⁴ Yet, Ms. Blumenthal attributes a \$6.5 million consolidated tax
21 savings to 2003. Because the Company has not yet filed its 2004 tax

¹³ Direct Testimony of Carol Szerszen at page 6, lines 4-13.

¹⁴ Direct Testimony of Ellen Blumental at page 9, lines 19 – 20.

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1 return, Ms. Blumental used her 2003 consolidated tax savings (\$6.5
2 million) for 2004 as well. Consequently, \$13 million (\$6.5 million x 2) of
3 her \$21.7 million adjustment is for a year in which EGSI has a loss and for
4 a year in which EGSI has not yet filed a federal income tax return.

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6 D. Decommissioning Expense Accrual

7 Q. MR. POLLOCK PRESENTS A PROPOSED ADJUSTMENT TO CHANGE
8 THE DECOMMISSIONING EXPENSE ACCRUAL.¹⁵ DO YOU AGREE
9 WITH HIS ADJUSTMENT?

10 A. No. Mr. Pollock eliminates EGSI's nuclear decommissioning expense
11 from the 2003 and 2004 Annual Reports. He argues that, as the result of
12 a settlement of a series of rate proceedings before the Louisiana Public
13 Service Commission ("LPSC"), EGSI has agreed to reduce its annual
14 decommissioning expense in Louisiana.

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16 Q. DO THE COMMISSION AND THE LPSC ESTABLISH THE SAME
17 NUCLEAR DECOMMISSIONING FUNDING LEVELS IN RATE CASES?

18 A. No. The two Commissions determine different funding levels. The
19 Company's nuclear decommission expense in Texas retail jurisdiction is
20 different from its expense in the Louisiana retail jurisdiction.

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¹⁵ Direct Testimony of Jeffery Pollock at page 53, line 9 through page 54, line 18.

1 Q. HAS THE COMMISSION ESTABLISHED A DECOMMISSIONING
2 FUNDING LEVEL FOR TEXAS?

3 A. Yes. In the Company's last base rate case, Docket No. 20150, the
4 Commission ordered EGSI to maintain the decommissioning funding
5 established in the prior base rate case, Docket No. 16705.¹⁶ The
6 decommissioning funding levels are based upon a detailed
7 decommissioning funding study, supported by several witnesses, which is
8 fully litigated in a base rate case. Mr. Pollock has presented no such
9 study in this case.

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11 Q. DOES THE COMPANY HAVE USE OF THESE REVENUES
12 ASSOCIATED WITH DECOMMISSIONING EXPENSE?

13 A. No. The Company deposits the revenues it collects equal to its
14 decommissioning expense in an external decommissioning trust fund.
15 Thus, Mr. Pollock is proposing to remove the expense that the Company
16 incurred to fund the decommissioning trust fund for 2003 and 2004. It is
17 totally without merit to remove these expenses to artificially increase
18 earnings when the Company has to deposit the revenues it receives in a
19 trust fund.

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¹⁶ *Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Authority to Change Rates*, Docket No. 20150, Order at ordering paragraph 12 (June 30, 1999). An excerpt from this Order is provided in the workpapers to this testimony.

1 E. Rate of Return and Excess Return

2 Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH DR. SZERSZEN THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS
3 SHOULD UTILIZE THE COMPANY'S ACTUAL YEAR-END RATE OF
4 RETURN IN CALCULATING THE ALLOWED RATE OF RETURN?

5 A. No. The instructions to the Annual Report specifically state the Company
6 is to use the cost of capital approved in the utility's most recent rate
7 proceeding. In the case of EGSI, this is 9.67%. If we did not have a rate
8 order which met the criteria of being issued after January 1, 1992, the rate
9 prescribed by the Commission was 9.6%. The Commission apparently
10 believed this to be a reasonable percentage to use as a return amount.

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12 Q. DR. SZERSZEN COMMENTS THAT THE COMPANY'S NET INCOME
13 HAS INCREASED FROM \$46.363 MILLION IN 1998 TO \$192.264
14 MILLION IN 2004. IS HER ANALYSIS CORRECT?

15 A. The dollar amount is correct, but her interpretation of the dollar amount is
16 wrong. The Company's net income has increased by that amount.
17 However, this is "net" income, and includes non-utility operating income.
18 The Company's net utility operating income in 1998 was \$203.978 Million.
19 In 2004, this figure was \$267.498 Million. This is a 31% increase over a
20 six-year period. The Company has certainly not experienced the
21 phenomenal growth that she indicates. These are total Company figures,
22 which include Louisiana and Wholesale operations.

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1 Q. DR. SZERSZEN ALSO STATES THAT THE LOW EQUITY RETURN THE
2 COMPANY EXPERIENCED IN 2003 WAS PRIMARILY DUE TO A \$470
3 MILLION INCREASE IN THE COMPANY'S PURCHASE POWER
4 EXPENSES. IS THIS A CORRECT STATEMENT?

5 A. No. Fuel and purchase power expenses are recoverable in the
6 Company's fuel recovery mechanisms for the most part and, as such, an
7 increase in fuel and purchase power expense would not have a material
8 impact on earnings.

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10 Q. DR. SZERSZEN STATES THAT THE COMPANY HAS EXPERIENCED
11 EITHER NO UNDER-EARNINGS OR POSSIBLY ONLY \$64.644
12 MILLION IN UNDER-EARNINGS. DO YOU AGREE WITH EITHER OF
13 THESE AMOUNTS?

14 A. No. Dr. Szerszen bases the possible \$64.644 million of under-earnings
15 figure on her usage of a year-end cost of capital calculation to determine
16 the allowed return and a consolidated tax calculation amount. Rather than
17 follow the guidelines developed for the Annual Report, she has developed
18 her own guidelines. Then, she states that even the \$64.644 million is
19 probably not a correct indicator of the under-earnings since it would
20 probably need to be adjusted for typical revenue, cost, and base
21 adjustments that are made to a company's cost of service. She does not
22 enumerate these "typical" adjustments, but simply concludes they would
23 be enough to eliminate any under-earnings EGSi may have experienced.

1 Dr. Szerszen has not only developed her own instructions for the Annual
2 Report, but she has managed to manufacture whatever adjustment is
3 needed to bring the under-earnings to zero.

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5 Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH DR. SZERSZEN THAT ONLY \$25.5 MILLION OF
6 TTC O&M COSTS REMAIN TO BE RECOVERED?

7 A. No. Dr. Szerszen makes this statement based on the incorrect
8 assumption that the Company has experienced no under-earnings. She
9 states that since EGSI has already included \$37 million in the Annual
10 Reports, which, she says, reflect no under-earnings, and EGSI's total TTC
11 O&M costs were \$62.5 million, there remains only \$25.5 million to be
12 recovered. As I stated previously, her original premise in calculating the
13 Company's under-earnings is incorrect. She then decides that since the
14 \$37 million was included in the Annual Reports and she has decided that
15 EGSI probably had no under-earnings, then all that is left is \$25.5 million
16 of expense. EGSI has followed the instructions and guidelines as set out
17 by the Commission to determine what its return/(deficit) was. Dr.
18 Szerszen has not.

19

20 Q. MR. POLLOCK STATES THAT ALL BUT \$50.7 MILLION OF TTC COSTS
21 HAVE BEEN RECOVERED. HOW DID HE REACH THAT NUMBER?

22 A. EGSI is asking to recover \$189.4 million of TTC cost, including AFUDC
23 and carrying costs. The tax gross-up on the AFUDC and the carrying

1 costs amount to \$15.6 million for a total through February 28, 2006 of
2 \$205 million. Mr. Pollock has recommended a disallowance of \$42 million
3 in capital costs for systems that the Company was required to develop.
4 He disallows the Company's AFUDC costs because he states AFUDC is
5 not applicable to capital projects that have been abandoned or cancelled.
6 (The Company, however, has not abandoned its TTC projects.) This
7 amounts to another \$42.5 million. He excluded \$6.3 million of our
8 expenses which he deems unreasonable and another \$25 million for
9 carrying costs that the Company has incurred. This leaves a remainder of
10 \$88.9 million, which he deems reasonable. Of this amount, he states the
11 Company has already recovered \$38.2 million by virtue of its returns for
12 the years since 1999 having been a positive number. This leaves,
13 according to Mr. Pollock, an amount still to be recovered of \$50.7 million.

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15 Q. DO YOU AGREE WITH MR. POLLOCK'S ANALYSIS?

16 A. No. As I explain throughout this testimony, I disagree with Mr. Pollock's
17 proposed adjustments to the Annual Reports and to the Company's TTC
18 costs. His \$50.7 million amount is based on the assumption that the
19 Commission accepts all of his adjustments.

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21 IV. TTC LABOR COSTS

22 Q. WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU DISCUSS IN THIS SECTION OF YOUR
23 TESTIMONY?

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1 A. Several Intervenor witnesses (Dr. Szerszen, Mr. Norwood, Mr. Arndt, Mr.
2 Pous, and Mr. Higgins) recommend disallowing TTC labor expenses. In
3 this section of my testimony, I explain that the Commission should reject
4 their recommendation.

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6 Q. THE INTERVENOR WITNESSES TESTIFY THAT THE TTC LABOR
7 EXPENSES ARE NOT INCREMENTAL BUT INSTEAD ARE BEING
8 RECOVERED THROUGH EGSI'S CURRENT BASE RATES. DO YOU
9 AGREE WITH THEIR ASSESSMENT?

10 A. No. The Intervenor witnesses are incorrect. Over \$8 million (\$7,903,379
11 ESI and \$339,945 EGSI) of these payroll costs are for capital
12 expenditures. These capital costs are one time expenditures of the
13 Company's funds for these TTC projects. These costs are not included in
14 the Company's current base rates and have not been recovered by the
15 Company and will not be recovered unless they are recovered as part of
16 this request. The remaining \$15,718,041 of ESI labor costs were also
17 specifically incurred for TTC projects and are in fact incremental costs to
18 EGSI. Absent the Company's efforts to move to competition, these ESI
19 labor costs would not have been charged to EGSI. ESI employees charge
20 their time to specific project codes based on the work being performed by
21 that employee.

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1 Q. CITIES WITNESS ARNDT CLAIMS THAT THE ESI EMPLOYEE COUNT
2 HAS GONE DOWN SINCE THE COMPANY'S LAST BASE RATE CASE.
3 DOES A REDUCTION IN THE ESI EMPLOYEE COUNT AFFECT
4 WHETHER THE TTC LABOR EXPENSES ARE INCREMENTAL COSTS
5 TO EGS?

6 A. No. Mr. Arndt is correct in his statement that the total ESI employee count
7 has gone down since the test year in Docket No. 20150, but that reduction
8 does not necessarily imply that the ESI labor costs are incremental to
9 EGS. The Company supplied total ESI payroll costs and total ESI payroll
10 costs billed to EGS in response to various Cities data requests. As is
11 shown on Exhibit JDW-R-3 since the Company's last base rate case in
12 Docket No. 20150, the percentage of total ESI payroll costs billed to EGS
13 has increased. And not only has the percentage increased, but also the
14 actual payroll dollar amounts billed to EGS has increased.

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16 Q. DR. SZERSZEN TESTIFIES THAT EGS HAS NOT PROVIDED ANY
17 EVIDENCE THAT THE ESI LABOR CHARGES ARE INCREMENTAL
18 EXPENSES THAT CAN BE SPECIFICALLY ASSOCIATED WITH
19 TRANSITION TO COMPETITION ACTIVITIES. HAS THE COMPANY
20 PROVIDED ANY EVIDENCE THAT WOULD INDICATE THAT THESE
21 LABOR CHARGES ARE SPECIFICALLY FOR TTC ACTIVITIES?

22 A. Yes. As I have previously stated, employees charge specific project
23 codes based on the work being performed. Only work being performed on

1 TTC projects are included in this request. Also, as I already mentioned,
2 the percentage of total ESI payroll costs billed to EGSI has increased and
3 the ESI payroll dollars billed to EGSI have increased to above what was
4 included in the Company's last base rate case.

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6 V. AFUDC ON TTC CAPITAL COSTS

7 Q. WHAT SUBJECT DO YOU DISCUSS IN THIS SECTION OF YOUR
8 TESTIMONY?

9 A. The Company has accrued AFUDC on the TTC capital projects. Messrs.
10 Arndt, Pous, and Pollock testify that the Commission should disallow that
11 AFUDC. In this section of my testimony, I explain that the AFUDC that
12 has accrued on the TTC capital projects is part of the cost of those capital
13 projects and, thus, is recoverable as a TTC cost.

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15 Q. WHAT REASONS DO THE INTERVENOR WITNESSES GIVE FOR
16 EXCLUDING AFUDC FROM THE TTC CAPITAL PROJECTS?

17 A. The Interveners raise a variety of arguments to support their contention
18 that EGSI should not be allowed to recover the AFUDC costs incurred for
19 TTC projects. The arguments can be summarized as follows:

- 20 • AFUDC is not to be recognized on abandoned capital projects (18
21 CFR Chapter 1, Electric Plant Instruction 3.A.(17)).
22 • The assets are not used and useful.

- 1 • The Arkansas Public Service Commission ("APSC") did not allow
- 2 Entergy Arkansas, Inc. ("EAI") recovery of AFUDC associated with
- 3 its Market Mechanics Project.
- 4 • Recovery of AFUDC and the carrying costs on unamortized TTC
- 5 costs would be a double recovery.
- 6 • PURA § 39.454 allows recovery of reasonable and necessary
- 7 expenditures only and, therefore, does not allow recovery of
- 8 AFUDC on TTC Capital Projects.

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10 Q. TURNING TO THE FIRST BULLET POINT, MESSRS. ARNDT, POUS,

11 AND POLLOCK TESTIFY THAT THE TTC CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

12 ARE ABANDONED OR CANCELLED PLANT AND THAT THE UNIFORM

13 SYSTEM OF ACCOUNTS CALLS FOR THE REMOVAL OF AFUDC ON

14 ABANDONED PLANT. ASSUMING FOR THE SAKE OF ARGUMENT

15 THAT THE TTC CAPITAL EXPENDITURES ARE ABANDONED OR

16 CANCELLED PLANT, DO YOU AGREE WITH MESSRS. ARNDT'S,

17 POUS'S, AND POLLOCK'S READING OF THE ACCOUNTING RULES?

18 A. No. The language in the Uniform System of Accounts does not

19 necessarily say that the AFUDC that has accrued on a construction

20 project must be removed when that construction project is abandoned or

21 cancelled. Instead, the language says only that the utility should not

22 continue to accrue AFUDC on the project from the time of abandonment

23 going forward.

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1 No allowance for funds used during construction shall be included
2 in these [construction] accounts upon expenditures for construction
3 projects which have been abandoned.^[17]

4 Thus, assuming that the TTC capital projects in this docket are abandoned
5 or cancelled plant, then this language does not require EGSI to remove
6 the AFUDC that has accrued on the TTC capital projects prior to the time
7 that the construction are cancelled or abandoned.

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9 Q. HAS THE COMMISSION PREVIOUSLY RULED ON THE RECOVERY
10 OF AFUDC ASSOCIATED WITH CANCELLED OR ABANDONED
11 PLANT?

12 A. Yes. At least twice, the Commission has allowed a utility to recover the
13 AFUDC that accrued on a construction project prior to the time of
14 cancellation, provided that the timing of the cancellation was prudent. In
15 ruling on the recovery of cancellation costs associated with Gulf State
16 Utilities Company's¹⁸ River Bend Nuclear Plant, Unit II, the Commission
17 stated that "AFUDC is a legitimate financing cost" on a construction
18 project that was later cancelled and the utility should be allowed to recover
19 the AFUDC that accrued prior to cancellation. The Commission also
20 noted that it had made the same decision regarding the cancellation costs
21 for Houston Lighting and Power Company's Allen's Creek Nuclear Project.

¹⁷ Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Uniform System of Accounts, 18 C.F.R. Part 101, Electric Plant Instruction 3.A.(17). The complete instruction regarding AFUDC is provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

¹⁸ Gulf States Utilities Company is the former name of EGSI.

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1 Having found the timing of the cancellation of the [River Bend Unit
2 II] project to have been prudent, the examiner recommends against
3 disallowing AFUDC, or any component of AFUDC, which has
4 accrued on the project prior to its cancellation. AFUDC represents
5 a legitimate financing cost incurred by the Company to Keep River
6 Bend II as a viable option. Moreover, the Commission has
7 previously included AFUDC in recoverable nuclear plant
8 cancellation losses. Application of Houston Lighting and Power [for
9 a Rate Increase, Docket No. 4540], supra.^{19]}

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11 Q. WHAT CONCLUSIONS DO YOU DRAW FROM THE ACCOUNTING
12 RULES AND THE COMMISSION'S PREVIOUS DECISIONS ALLOWING
13 THE RECOVERY OF AFUDC ON CANCELLED OR ABANDONED
14 PLANT?

15 A. Assuming for discussion purposes that the TTC capital projects in this
16 docket are cancelled or abandoned plant, then EGSi should be allowed to
17 recover the AFUDC that has accrued on the capital projects prior to the
18 time of cancellation or abandonment. To the extent that the Commission
19 disallows a portion of the capital costs, then the AFUDC that has accrued
20 on that disallowed portion will be disallowed as well. But for those capital
21 expenditures that the Commission determines to be reasonable and
22 necessary and, thus, recoverable, EGSi should recover the AFUDC that
23 has accrued as well.

¹⁹ *Application of Gulf States Utilities Company for Authority to Change Rates*, Docket No. 5560, Revised Examiner's Report, 10 P.U.C. BULL. 405, 432 (July 13, 1984). The relevant pages from the Revised Examiner's Report and the Order are provided in my workpapers to this testimony. See also *Application of Houston Lighting and Power Company for a Rate Increase*, Docket No. 4540, Examiner's Report, 8 P.U.C. BULL. 75, 126 (Dec. 6, 1982). The relevant pages from the Revised Examiner's Report and the Order are provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

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2 Q. ARE THE INDIVIDUAL TTC CAPITAL PROJECTS AT ISSUE IN THIS
3 DOCKET CANCELLED OR ABANDONED PLANT?

4 A. No. The overall project is the implementation of retail open access
5 ("ROA") in the Entergy Settlement Area in Texas ("ESAT"). EGSI has not
6 cancelled or abandoned that project. Instead, I am advised that this
7 project has been on hold since the Commission issued its order on July
8 12, 2004 in Docket No. 28818 directing EGSI to cease work on an interim
9 solution and to terminate the pilot project,²⁰ but the effort to implement
10 ROA in ESAT has not been cancelled or abandoned. (In their direct
11 testimony, Company witnesses Joseph F. Domino and Phillip R. May
12 addressed the status of the ROA effort.) The individual capital projects
13 that are at issue in this docket are components that have provided support
14 for the overall ROA project. Given that the overall ROA project has not
15 been cancelled or abandoned, these individual capital projects are not
16 abandoned or cancelled plant.

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18 Q. SHOULD THE COMMISSION ALLOW EGSI TO RECOVER THE AFUDC
19 THAT HAS ACCRUED ON THE TTC CAPITAL EXPENDITURES UNDER
20 REVIEW IN THIS DOCKET?

²⁰ *Application of Entergy Gulf States, Inc. for Certification of an Independent Organization for the Entergy Settlement Area in Texas*, Docket No. 28818, Order at ordering paragraph 1 (July 12, 2004). The relevant pages from the Order are provided in my workpapers to this testimony.

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1 A. Yes. Under the Uniform System of Account, AFUDC is a routine and
2 integral component of capital costs. In addition, PURA section 39.454
3 allows EGSi to recover appropriate carrying costs on its TTC costs.
4 Finally, the TTC capital projects are not abandoned or cancelled plant.
5 Even if one were to consider the individual TTC capital projects to be
6 abandoned or cancelled plant, the time of abandonment or cancellation
7 would be July 12, 2004 (the date of the Order in Docket No. 28818).
8 Thus, under the accounting rules and the Commission previous decisions,
9 EGSi would be allowed to recover the AFUDC that accrued through that
10 date.

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12 Q. TURNING TO THE INTERVENORS' SECOND ARGUMENT, ARE THE
13 TTC CAPITAL PROJECTS CURRENTLY USED AND USEFUL?

14 A. No. EGSi acknowledged that fact in its direct testimony. If the projects
15 were used and useful, EGSi would not be seeking to recover those costs
16 in this TTC filing. But AFUDC is a legitimate part of the cost of a capital
17 project, including TTC capital projects. Thus, it is proper accounting for
18 EGSi to accrue AFUDC on the TTC capital projects.

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20 Q. IN REGARD TO THE INTERVENOR WITNESSES' THIRD POINT, WHAT
21 IMPORT DO YOU GIVE TO THE APSC'S TREATMENT OF AFUDC ON
22 EAI'S MARKET MECHANICS PROJECT?