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FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

In Reply Refer To:  
Entergy Services, Inc.  
Docket Nos. ER10-3357-000  
ER10-3357-001

May 14, 2015

Entergy Services, Inc.  
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Attention: Erin M. Murphy,  
Senior Counsel

Dear Ms. Murphy:

1. On January 3, 2011, Entergy Services, Inc. (Entergy), on behalf of the Entergy Operating Companies,<sup>1</sup> submitted revisions to its Open Access Transmission Tariff (OATT) to comply with Order Nos. 729<sup>2</sup> and 676-E.<sup>3</sup> Entergy's proposed revisions are rejected as moot.

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<sup>1</sup> The Entergy Operating Companies for purposes of this filing are Entergy Arkansas, Inc.; Entergy Gulf States Louisiana, L.L.C.; Entergy Louisiana, LLC; Entergy Mississippi, Inc.; Entergy New Orleans, Inc.; and Entergy Texas, Inc. (collectively, Entergy).

<sup>2</sup> *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Calculation of Available Transfer Capability, Capacity Benefit Margins, Transmission Reliability Margins, Total Transfer Capability, and Existing Transmission Commitments and Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 729, 129 FERC ¶ 61,155 (2009) (Order No. 729), *order on clarification*, Order No. 729-A, 131 FERC ¶ 61,109 (2010), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 729-B, 132 FERC ¶ 61,027 (2010).

<sup>3</sup> *Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities*, Order No. 676-E, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,299 (2009) (Order No. 676-E).

2. In Order No. 729, the Commission approved six Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards submitted for approval by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, the Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization. The approved Reliability Standards require certain users, owners, and operators of the Bulk-Power System to develop consistent methodologies for the calculation of either Available Transfer Capability or Available Flowgate Capability. In Order No. 676-E, the Commission revised its regulations to incorporate by reference the latest version (Version 002.1) of eleven business practice standards adopted by the Wholesale Electric Quadrant of the North American Energy Standards Board in response to Order Nos. 890, 890-A, and 890-B.<sup>4</sup> In its January 3, 2011 filing, Entergy modified Attachment C of its OATT to comply with Order No. 729 and Attachment 4 of its OATT to reflect the changes mandated by Order No. 676-E.

3. Notice of Entergy's compliance filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 76 Fed. Reg. 2898 (2011), with interventions and protests due on or before January 24, 2011. Timely motions to intervene were filed by East Texas Cooperatives, Union Power Partners, L.P. (Union Power), Lafayette Utilities System (Lafayette), and NRG Companies. On January 24, 2011, Union Power and Lafayette filed a joint protest. Entergy filed an answer to Union Power and Lafayette's protest, and Union Power and Lafayette filed an answer to Entergy's answer. On March 17, 2011, Entergy submitted an amended filing in this proceeding including corrections to certain tariff sheets. Notice of Entergy's amended filing was published in the *Federal Register*, 76 Fed. Reg. 17,118 (2011), with interventions and protests due on or before April 7, 2011. None was filed.

4. On April 1, 2011, Entergy filed a motion for an extension of time to comply with certain requirements of Order No. 676-E. Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (SPP) filed comments. By letter dated May 13, 2011, Commission staff notified Entergy that its filing was deficient, and required Entergy to amend its filing to include additional information. Entergy filed its response (deficiency answers) on July 12, 2011. Notice of Entergy's deficiency answers was published in the *Federal Register*, 76 Fed. Reg. 43,318 (2011), with interventions and protests due on or before August 2, 2011. Union Power and Lafayette filed a protest, and Entergy filed an answer to their protest.

5. Pursuant to Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2014), the timely, unopposed motions to intervene serve to make the entities that filed them parties to this proceeding. Pursuant to Rule 214(d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (d) (2014), the

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<sup>4</sup> *Preventing Undue Discrimination and Preference in Transmission Service*, Order No. 890, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,241, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,261 (2007), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-B, 123 FERC ¶ 61,299 (2008), *order on reh'g*, Order No. 890-C, 126 FERC ¶ 61,228, *order on clarification*, Order No. 890-D, 129 FERC ¶ 61,126 (2009).

Commission will grant SPP's late-filed motion to intervene given its interest in the proceeding, the early stage of the proceeding, and the absence of undue prejudice or delay.

6. Rule 213(a) (2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 18 C.F.R. § 385.213(a) (2) (2014), prohibits an answer to a protest or an answer unless otherwise ordered by the decisional authority. We are not persuaded to accept the answers and will, therefore, reject them.

7. Because Entergy's compliance filing contains revisions to Entergy's OATT, which has been cancelled in light of Entergy's December 19, 2013 integration into Midcontinent Independent System Operator, Inc.,<sup>5</sup> Entergy's compliance filing is now moot. Therefore, this letter order terminates Docket Nos. ER10-3357-000 and ER10-3357-001.

By direction of the Commission.

Kimberly D. Bose,  
Secretary.

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<sup>5</sup> See *Entergy Services, Inc.*, Docket No. ER14-648-000 (Jan. 31, 2014) (delegated letter order).