

Deregulation & Retail Energy Procurement Services

GDS provides a wide range of services to help clients plan for and benefit from participation in deregulated energy markets.



RETAIL AGGREGATION AND ENERGY PROCUREMENT SERVICES

We assist clients in the procurement of natural gas and electricity from competitive suppliers. Our services include design, development, and implementation of energy aggregation programs to maximize purchasing leverage for our clients. We provide assistance with all phases of energy procurement, including development of procurement strategies, preparation of solicitation documents, evaluation of supply proposals, negotiation of energy supply contracts, and oversight of supplier billings and performance under the agreements.

MERCHANT PLANT FEASIBILITY, DUE DILIGENCE, AND VALUATION STUDIES

GDS helps power plant owners, investors, and developers assess new economic, operational, and regulatory risks arising from restructuring of electric markets. Our services include:

- Merchant Plant Dispatch and Revenue Modeling to support project financing or development decisions
- Regional Deregulated Market Price Forecasting
- Power Plant Divestiture and Valuation Studies
- Fuel Supply Risk and Pricing Analyses



STRANDED COST ANALYSIS

GDS has extensive experience in the assessment of potential stranded costs arising from deregulation of retail generation markets. We evaluate stranded costs using modeling processes that integrate results of regional power market dispatch and price forecast models with traditional regulated revenue requirements models. Through this approach, we assist clients in evaluating exposure to potential stranded costs over a range of future scenarios that consider changes in gas prices, environmental regulations, peak demand, and other key factors.

ELECTRIC RESTRUCTURING POLICY ANALYSIS

GDS provides analytical and expert witness services to address various electric restructuring policy issues, including:

- Market Power Analysis
- Stranded Cost Quantification, Mitigation, and Recovery
- Unbundled Cost of Service and Rate Design Studies
- Retail Market and Pilot Program Design
- Transmission and Independent System Operator Policy Evaluation
- Functional Separation Proposals
- Consumer Protection and Default Service Policies



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