Week #4 Worksheet - Elasticity ~ Case Study

For questions 1 – 5, decide which good is more elastic based on the determinants of price elasticity of demand (assume not a lot of time has gone by since price change).

- **1.** Foreign Travel vs. Shoe.
- 2. Cigarettes vs. Housing
- 3. Coffee vs. Automobiles
- **4.** Gasoline vs. Private Education
- **5.** Restaurant Meals vs. Chevrolet Automobiles
- **6.** If the price elasticity of demand for the movie "Dirty Harry" is -0.44, how would you classify the demand for this movie?
- **7.** Recently, a downtown movie theater reduced its ticket price on Monday evenings from \$5 to \$2 and (everything else staying constant) average ticket sales on Monday evening rose from 100 to 400.
- **8.** The price of oysters increases by 14%. As a result, the quantity demanded decreases by 27%. What is the price elasticity of demand for oysters?
- **9.** A 10% increase in the price of Redskins jerseys causes the quantity demanded to fall by 10%. How would you classify demand for these jerseys?
- **10.** Suppose the price elasticity of demand for gasoline is 0.4 and the price of gas increased by 22%. What is the expected change in quantity demanded?
- **11.** The price elasticity of demand for iPods is -4. A 20% decrease in the price of iPods would cause the quantity demanded to ______ by _____.
- **12.** The demand for airline tickets is elastic. Other things equal, if the price of airline tickets decreases, total revenue from the sales of airline tickets will increase/decrease/not change/indeterminate.
- **13.**If the supply of a good is unit elastic and the price of that good increases by 10%, quantity supplied ______ by _____.
- **14.** Suppose the price elasticity of demand for gasoline is = .4 and the price of gas increased by 22%. What is the expected change in quantity demanded?