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Final Round of Georgia Power Nuclear Hearings Begin February 9

Atlanta, January 30, 2009 — The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold the final round of hearings on the Georgia Power Company (Company) nuclear certification request beginning at 10 a.m. on Monday, February 9, 2009. The meeting will take place in Room 110 at 244 Washington Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia.

The hearings will continue at 10 a.m. on Tuesday February 10, 2009 through Friday, February 13, 2009 if necessary, with the hearing on Thursday February 12 beginning at 1:30 p.m. The Company will present its rebuttal testimony and evidence. The Public Interest Advisory Staff in their pre-filed testimony of December 19, 2008, recommended approval of the certificate based on Georgia Power's acceptance of certain financial conditions recommended by other Staff witnesses.

The remaining schedule in this docket as adopted by the Commission is as follows:

- March 6, 2009—Briefs and proposed orders due
- March 17, 2009--Commission decision

Georgia Power's 2007 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), which the Commission approved on June 16, 2007, stated that the utility would need an additional 2,200 Megawatts of new baseload electric power generation in the 2016 and 2017 timeframe to meet its growing energy needs. Under the IRP statute, new power generation cannot be added to the system without a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity issued by this Commission.

Georgia Power issued a request for proposal (RFP) in late 2006, seeking baseload generation from both self build generation and third party bids. The bid deadline was extended until May 1, 2008 seeking additional bids. The only bid received was the Company's self-build for nuclear power generation.

More information on this issue can be found on the Commission web site, www.psc.state.ga.us under Docket Number 27800.

The audio web cast of the hearing is available by going to the Commission website, <http://www.psc.state.ga.us> and clicking on the Audio Broadcast link.

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