

Contact: Bill Edge Phone: 404-656-2316 www.psc.state.ga.us

For Immediate Release

Georgia Public Service Commission

244 Washington St S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334 Phone: 404-656-4501 Toll free:1-800-282-5813 Fax: 404-656-2341

39-10

MEDIA ADVISORY PSC to Hold Second Round Hearing on Atlanta Gas Light Rate Increase Request;Public Meeting Also Scheduled

Atlanta, September 10, 2010 — The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold the second round of hearings on the Atlanta Gas Light Company (AGLC) request for an increase in its base rates beginning on Monday September 13, 2010. The hearings will continue on Tuesday September 14, 2010 if needed. All hearings will begin at 9 a.m. and will take place in Room 110 at 244 Washington Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia. The Commission will hear from any public witnesses and then hear testimony from the Public Interest Advocacy Staff and other intervenors.

There will also be a public meeting beginning at 6 p.m. the same day (September 13) in the Commission Hearing Room to hear from the public on the proposed AGLC rate case. One additional public meeting on the AGLC rate case will be held on September 22, 2010 at the Rome Civic Center in Rome, Georgia beginning at 7 p.m.

AGLC filed a request on May 3, 2010 with the Commission to increase its rates. In its filing, AGLC says it is seeking a \$54.1 million increase in rates due to changing market conditions and increases in operating costs. If approved, residential customers' monthly bills would increase by approximately \$2.96 (approximately \$35.52 annually). Any change in rates would take effect November 1, 2010. Georgia law (O.C.G.A. §46-2-26) requires the Commission to issue a decision on any new proposed rates within 180 days of the Company's filing.

The Commission approved AGLC's last rate increase on June 10, 2005.

The remaining schedule for this proceeding is:October 1, 2010:AGL files rebuttal testimonyOctober 12-13, 2010:Hearing on Company rebuttal testimonyOctober 21, 2010;Briefs and proposed orders dueOctober 28, 2010:Energy Committee, Advisory Staff presents its recommendationOctober 28, 2010:The Commission issues its decision at a Special Administrative Session

The audio web cast of the hearing is available on the Commission website, <u>http://www.psc.state.ga.us</u> under the Audio Broadcast link. More information is available under Docket Number 31647.

Page 2

###