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MEDIA ADVISORY PSC to Hold Final Hearing October 12 on Atlanta Gas Light Rate Increase Request

Atlanta, October 7, 2010 — The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) will hold the third and final round of hearings beginning Tuesday, October 12, 2010 on the Atlanta Gas Light Company (AGLC) request for an increase in its base rates. The hearings will continue-if needed-on Wednesday October 13, 2010 and on Thursday October 14, 2010. All hearings will begin at 9 a.m. and will take place in Room 110 at 244 Washington Street, S.W., Atlanta, Georgia, except that the scheduled October 14 hearing will begin at 11 a.m. if it is needed. The Commission will hear first from any public witnesses and then will hear AGLC rebuttal testimony.

AGLC filed a request on May 3, 2010 with the Commission to increase its rates. In its filing, AGLC asked for a \$54.1 million increase in rates due to changing market conditions and increases in operating costs. However in its rebuttal testimony filed on October 1, 2010 the company revised its rate increase request downward to \$48.2 million or an increase of \$2.63 in residential customers' monthly bills. 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 remaining schedule for this proceeding is:

October 21, 2010;Briefs and proposed orders dueOctober 27, 2010:Special Energy Committee, Advisory Staff presents its recommendationOctober 27, 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.