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Statement from Commissioner Doug Everett on Atlanta Gas Light Release of Request for Proposal for Compressed Natural Gas Fueling Stations

Atlanta, March 1, 2012 – "I am extremely pleased that Georgia is one step closer to making a network of compressed natural gas fueling stations a reality, "said Commissioner Doug Everett. "It has been more than a year and a half since I challenged Atlanta Gas Light to begin working on these stations. It is my hope that there will be a robust response to this proposal. I appreciate the support from my colleagues for their support last November in approving this proposal."

"This program will allow more Georgians to take advantage of an alternative fuel that is cleaner and less expensive than current fossil fuels such as gasoline and diesel," added Everett.

The Commission on November 1, 2011 adopted a revised plan that allows Atlanta Gas Light Company (AGLC) to use \$11.57 million from the Universal Service Fund (USF) to provide funds for compressed natural gas (CNG) equipment for private investors who build CNG fueling stations. The Commission plan as adopted allows for the CNG stations to serve both retail and commercial consumers. In addition, private investors are not required to make a 50 percent capital investment in the cost of the CNG stations, a change from AGLC's latest filing. Under the Commission approved plan, the USF funding will only be available to purchase CNG equipment for five years.

Commissioner Everett has served on the Public Service Commission since 2003 and was the first Republican elected to the Commission from southwest Georgia. He served three terms in the Georgia legislature before his election to the Commission. He served as Chairman of the Commission in 2004 and 2009. His full biography is available on the Commission website at http://www.psc.state.ga.us/pscinfo/bios/everett.asp