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PSC Approves Improvements in the Atlanta Gas Light Pipeline Distribution System to Promote Economic Development

ATLANTA, December 12, 2013 – As part of its essential role to promote economic development in Georgia, the Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) today unanimously approved two agreements for improvements in the Atlanta Gas Light Company (AGLC) natural gas pipeline distribution system. These agreements will ensure that adequate distribution system capacity, system pressure, and system resources exist to provide safe and reliable delivery of natural gas to every customer in the AGLC delivery area. The agreements, signed by both AGLC and the Commission Staff, are for the 2013-2017 Integrated System Reinforcement Program (i-SRP 2.0) Plan in Docket 37370 and the 2013-2017 Integrated Customer Growth Program (i-CGP 2.0) Plan in Docket 37371 under Georgia STRIDE. Under these programs, AGLC and its ratepayers will make an estimated \$261 million investment in improvements to their distribution system over the next four years.

“This Commission realizes that extending and improving the natural gas distribution system is vital to Georgia’s economic development,” said Commission Chairman Chuck Eaton. “Today’s decision will allow Atlanta Gas Light Company to extend service to unserved and underserved customers and will promote economic development across our state.”

The terms of the two agreements include:

- The Commission maintains final approval authority over all projects.
- The Company will file quarterly, semi-annual and annual reports with the Commission on expenditures and progress of all projects.
- The 2013-2017 i-SRP 2.0 Plan in Docket 37370 addresses distribution system reliability issues in Coweta, Fayette, Gwinnett, Hall, Forsyth and Dawson Counties.
- The estimated cost of these projects under the i-SRP 2.0 Plan is \$214.8 million
- Beginning on the first marketer bills after January 1, 2015 all firm customers will pay an additional \$0.39 per month and each successive month through December 2015 for the i-SRP program under Georgia STRIDE.
- The 2013-2017 i-CGP 2.0 Plan in Docket 37371 is comprised of the strategic corridor investment program and the line extension program. AGLC has requested approval of the Liberty County project under the i-CGP 2.0 Plan.
- The estimated cost of this project under i-CGP 2.0 Plan is \$46 million.

- Beginning on the first marketer bills after January 1, 2015 all firm customers will pay an additional \$0.09 per month and each successive month through December 2015 for the i-CGP program under Georgia STRIDE.
- The Commission Staff will conduct quarterly prudence audits for both programs.

In January 2010, the Commission approved the i-CGP program to provide an economic development component to the Georgia Strategic Infrastructure Development and Enhancement Program (STRIDE). The Commission approved the i-SRP program in October 2009 that is designed to be a ten-year construction program of improvements to AGLC's core transmission and distributions facilities to better meet the peak day demand from its customers.

The Georgia Public Service Commission is a constitutional agency that exercises its authority and influence to ensure that consumers receive safe, reliable, and reasonably priced telecommunications, electric and natural gas services from financially viable and technically competent companies. Additional information can be found on the Commission web site, www.psc.state.ga.us.

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