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### **Commission Sets Hearing and Filing Schedule for Georgia Power Company Integrated Resource Plan and for the Atlanta Gas Light Company Rate Case**

ATLANTA, February 5, 2019 – Setting the first hearing and decision schedules for a busy 2019, the Georgia Public Service Commission today approved the hearing, filing and decision schedule for the Georgia Power 2019 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) in Dockets 42310 and 42311 and the expected Atlanta Gas Light Company base rate in Docket 42315. All hearings will begin at 9 a.m. in the Commission hearing room, Room 100, 244 Washington Street, S.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30334.

As required by law since 1992 (O.C.G.A. §46-3A-1), the IRP is the utility's long-range plan for and forecast of the state's electric power needs for the next three years. Georgia Power filed its IRP with the Commission last week on January 31, 2019.

The schedule for these proceedings is as follows:

January 31, 2019	Georgia Power filed its IRP plan
March 14, 2019	Georgia Power files direct testimony
April 8-10, 2019	Commission hears Georgia Power direct testimony
April 25, 2019	Staff and Interveners file direct testimony
May 13-16, 2019	Commission hears staff and intervener direct testimony
May 30, 2019	Georgia Power may file rebuttal testimony
June 11-12, 2019	Commission hears any rebuttal testimony
June 24, 2019	Parties file any briefs and proposed orders
July 11, 2019	Advisory Staff presents recommendations
July 16, 2019	Commission issues decision

O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-2 (c) establishes the statutory deadline for an IRP review as 120 days after the utility remits the fee pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-5(c). Assuming that Georgia Power Company remits the fees in Docket Nos. 42310 and 42311 on March 31, 2019, the statutory deadline for decision in this docket will be July 29, 2019.

“2019 will be a record-busy year for the Public Service Commission,” said Commission Vice-chair Tim Echols. “We will approve a 20-year energy plan as well as set rates for both the gas and power company— all of which impacts every citizen in the state.”

In other action, the Commission also approved the hearing and filing schedule for the expected Atlanta Gas Light Company rate case. The Company is expected to file its case on June 3, 2019 in Docket 42315. The schedule is as follows:

June 3, 2019	Atlanta Gas Light files its request for increase in rates
September 10-12, 2019	Commission hears Atlanta Gas Light presents direct testimony
September 20, 2019	Public Interest Advocacy Staff and interveners file direct testimony
October 23-24, 2019	Commission hears PIA Staff and intervener direct testimony
November 6, 2019	AGLC may file rebuttal testimony
November 21-22, 2019	Commission hears AGLC rebuttal testimony
December 9, 2019	Proposed orders and brief are due
December 19, 2019	Commission issues decision

The statutory deadline in this proceeding is five months after the effective date of proposed rate changes. O. C. G. A. § 46-2-25 which is January 1, 2020.

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