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McDonald Takes Over as PSC Chair, Committee Assignments Made

ATLANTA – Effective January 15, 2001, Public Service Commissioner Lauren “Bubba” McDonald, Jr. will serve as chairman of the five-member utility regulatory board for a one-year term. Commissioner Stan Wise will serve as Vice-Chairman

McDonald has been a member of the Commission since 1998 following his appointment by then Governor Zell Miller. A graduate of the University of Georgia with a BBA in Business, McDonald served twenty years on the Georgia House of Representatives, where he chaired the Industry Committee for five years and the Appropriations Committee for eight years.

He is presently serving on two committees of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners. He serves on the Committee on Electricity and the Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited Committee. Under Electricity he serves on two subcommittees (Subcommittee on Nuclear Issues Waste Disposal and the Subcommittee of Strategic Issues).

Chairman McDonald also announced the following Committee assignments: Commissioner Robert B. Baker, Jr. will head the Energy Committee, Commissioner David L. Burgess will chair the Telecommunications Committee, and Commissioner Bob Durden will head the Transportation Committee. In his capacity as Chairman, McDonald will head the Administrative Affairs Committee.