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**PSC Approves Motions Relating To Natural Gas Deregulation; Amends 2001-2004
Gas Capacity Supply Plan**

ATLANTA – The Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC or the Commission) today approved a motion by Commissioner Stan Wise that directs PSC staff to begin a review of whether uncollectible revenue (or a large number of customers' failure to pay their bills) is the reason that retail natural gas rates are not tracking wholesale prices. "This is a proactive move to find the facts," said Commissioner Wise.

The Commission passed a second motion that directs its staff to work in conjunction with the National Regulatory Research Institute to study the impact of deregulation and to compare Georgia's retail natural gas rates with other states.

On another issue, the Commission amended the 2001-2004 Gas Capacity Supply Plan adopted on September 14, 2001 to allow Atlanta Gas Light Company (AGLC) to obtain an additional 68,000 dekatherms of capacity on the interstate pipeline system for the upcoming winter heating season.

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