

## MEDIA ADVISORY GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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## Winter Heating Season Credits To Low-Income Seniors Have Stopped

ATLANTA –The "GA PSC Ordered Credit" of \$50 per month that low-income seniors have been receiving this winter is no longer in effect. The credits to natural gas bills, in the amount of \$50 per month for five months, were made during the November 2001 through March 2002 billing cycles.

The Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC) provided this assistance to all low-income seniors served by certificated natural gas marketers to help them pay their heating bills. A total of \$8.5 million was paid out of the Universal Service Fund for this program. The PSC had a similar program during the 2000-2001 winter heating season.

By April 2002, these customers will have received the full \$250 refund ordered by the PSC, so they will no longer see the \$50 credit on their natural gas bills.

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