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News Release

PSC Certifies Natural Gas Marketer and Approves Transfer of Customers

Atlanta, January 3, 2006 – The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) today approved the application of Gas South LLC (Gas South) for a natural gas marketer certificate of authority and the transfer of Southern Company Gas customers to Gas South. Gas South is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Cobb Electric Membership Corporation (EMC), a consumer-owned utility that serves over 162,000 electricity customers in Cobb, Cherokee, Paulding, Bartow and Fulton counties. Cobb EMC is the largest of Georgia's 42 EMCs and is headquartered in Marietta, Georgia.

The Commission approved a number of conditions Southern Company Gas and Gas South must follow to effect the transfer. In accordance with the Commission's decision, Gas South will send all Southern Company Gas letters of notification that state:

- 1. The date that the customer will be transferred to a different marketer.
- 2. The name of the marketer to which the customer will be traded.
- 3. The customer has the right to select the marketer of their choice without charge prior to February 4, 2006;
- 4. The rates, terms and conditions of service which the new marketer will be offering to them.

Gas South must also honor all existing contracts between Southern Company Gas and its customers. All Southern Company Gas customers will be transferred to Gas South on January 20, 2006.

Gas South will serve only natural gas customers in the Atlanta Gas Light Company delivery areas.

More information on this issue is found on the Commission website, www.psc.state.ga.us., under Docket Numbers 21109-U and 15585-U.

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