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Commissioner Robert Baker, Jr. Assumes Chair of Georgia Public Service Commission

ATLANTA, January 16, 2007 – Commissioner Robert B. Baker, Jr. today begins a one-year term as Chairman of the Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) for 2007. Commissioner Baker previously chaired the Commission in 1994, 1998 and 2003. Commissioner Chuck Eaton will serve as vice-chairman.

Baker has served on the five-member regulatory panel since 1993. He was elected to his first six-year term in November 1992 as the first Republican elected to statewide office since Reconstruction. He won re-election in 1998 and 2004. Commissioner Baker's complete biography is on the Commission web site, www.psc.state.ga.us.

Chairman Baker also announced the following committee assignments: Commissioner Stan Wise will chair the Telecommunications Committee, Commissioner Angela Speir will chair the Energy Committee and Commissioner Chuck Eaton will chair the Transportation Committee.