



Contact: Bill Edge
Phone 404-656-2316
www.psc.state.ga.us

Georgia Public Service Commission

244 Washington St S.W.
Atlanta, Georgia 30334
Phone: 404-656-4501
Toll free: 1-800-282-5813
(outside metro Atlanta)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

18-10

NEWS RELEASE

PSC Will Review Georgia Power Company Rate Filing

ATLANTA, July 1, 2010 – The Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) is reviewing the Georgia Power Company (Company) request for an increase in its base rates filed with the Commission today. The Commission will begin the first round of hearings on the Company's request on October 4, 2010 and will issue a decision on the request on December 21, 2010. Georgia law requires the Commission to issue a decision on the Company's rate request within 180 days from the date the proposed new rates are filed.

According to the Company's filing, it is requesting an annual increase in its retail rates of \$615 million. This request, if approved, would be approximately a \$10.88 increase for the average residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours per month. The Commission decided the last Georgia Power rate request on December 18, 2007 in Docket 25060.

At its June 17, 2010 Administrative Session, the Commission set the filing and hearing schedule for this case filed in Docket Number 31958. The schedule is:

- July 1, 2010 – Georgia Power files its case and also direct testimony
- October 4-6, 2010 – Hearings: Georgia Power presents direct testimony
- October 22, 2010 – Staff and intervenors file testimony
- November 8-10, 2010 – Hearings: Staff and intervenors present testimony
- November 19, 2010- Georgia Power files rebuttal testimony
- December 1-3, 2010 – Hearings: Georgia Power presents rebuttal testimony
- December 8, 2010 – All parties file proposed orders
- December 16, 2010 – Energy Committee, Advisory Staff presents recommendation
- December 21, 2010 – Commission issues its decision at Administrative Session

More information on this issue can be found on the Commission website, www.psc.state.ga.us, under Docket Number 31958.

###