**BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**GEORGIA POWER**
**DOCKET NO. 2663**

**AFFIDAVIT AND BASIS FOR THE ASSERTION THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS A TRADE SECRET**

As required pursuant to the Georgia Public Service Commission's Order in Docket No. 2663, Georgia Power ("Georgia Power" or the "Company") is providing copies of its Monthly Operating Report that contains information that constitutes trade secrets of the Southern Company, Georgia Power, and their affiliates ("Information"). The Information derives economic value from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use.

Specifically, the Information includes detailed financial information regarding the Company's operations. If the Company's competitors had access to the details of the Information, the Company would be placed at an economic disadvantage. Disclosure of such Information would give competitors of the Company in-depth insight into the financial position of the Company and could undermine the Company's competitive position, thereby harming the Company and its customers. Furthermore, the Information contains material non-public financial data that could be used by others to artificially affect the Company's share price or could trigger a filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission. Failure to properly disclose such material non-public financial information could expose the Company to liability under securities laws. Access to the Information would also give potential vendors insight into the current status of the Company's capital projects, which could undermine the Company's ability to obtain the most cost-effective resources to the detriment of its customers. Georgia Power's competitors are not required to disclose their respective cost information, thus the Company's competitors would have an unfair advantage in the market place. The Information also contains details related to the performance of the Company's generating fleet. Such Information could be used by competitors to artificially set prices in a manner that would harm the Company economically. In addition, the Information contains data regarding the Company's current fuel inventory and related prices and access to such information could allow vendors to similarly set prices in an artificial manner. Further, competitors would obtain an unfair advantage because they are not required to reveal similar information.

Additionally, the Information is subject to substantial procedures to maintain its secrecy. Only select Georgia Power and Southern Company Services personnel are granted access to the Information. Those personnel receive access only on a "need to know" basis. Parties outside Georgia Power and Southern Company Services who have been granted access to the Information, if any, have been required to sign confidentiality agreements with respect to the Information.

Matthew Humphrey, first being duly sworn, deposes and states that he has reviewed Georgia Power Company's Monthly Operating Report and that to the best of his knowledge the information included in such report is accurate and that the specific information designated as trade secret constitute trade secrets pursuant to Article 27 of Chapter 1 of Title 10 of the Georgia Code.

Matthew Humphrey
Financial Accounting & Reporting Manager
Georgia Power Company

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November, 2023.

Notary Public

My Commission expires: January 25, 2027

JANIE H DUMAS
NOTARY PUBLIC
My Comm. Expires Jan 25, 2027
HENRY COUNTY
STATE OF GEORGIA