BEFORE THE

GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re:	)	
Georgia Power Company's	)	**Docket No. 55378**
2023 Integrated Resource Plan Update	)	

APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF
THE GEORGIA COALITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

COMES NOW, the City of Atlanta, the City of Savannah, the City of Decatur, the Unified Government of Athens-Clarke County, and the County of DeKalb as the Georgia Coalition of Local Governments (hereafter "The Coalition"), pursuant to O.C.G.A. §§ 50-13-14 and 46-2-59 and Commission Rule 515-2-1-.06, and hereby files this Application for Leave to Intervene ("Application") in the above-referenced docket. In support hereof, The Coalition respectfully shows as follows:

1.

On October 27, 2023, the Georgia Power Company (hereafter "Georgia Power") filed for approval of its 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (hereafter "IRP") Update. Pursuant to that filing, The Coalition files this application for leave to intervene and participate in these dockets. This application is timely filed.

2.

The five city and county governments that comprise The Georgia Coalition of Local Governments represent jurisdictions partially or wholly served by Georgia Power. The Coalition member governments collectively represent nearly 1.6 million residents, or roughly 15% of the state population, and more than 20 million MWh of community electricity use. The Coalition member governments are also large buyers of electricity, purchasing nearly 1 million MWh for local government operations each year.

As both large buyers and representatives of their citizens, the coalition members are particularly interested in issues of energy affordability that will be affected by the IRP update. Moreover, each of the participating governments has a Council or Commission adopted commitment to meet local government and community energy needs with 100% clean and renewable energy, in most cases as soon as 2035. The decisions that are made in this IRP update will have significant impacts on member governments' ability to achieve their adopted clean energy goals.

Each Coalition Member has gone through appropriate local government processes to receive official approval to move forward.

3.

As required in the Application Requirements adopted by the PSC in the Procedural Schedule Order (PSO), The Coalition has reviewed the other intervening party applications including applications by the Georgia Association of Manufacturers, the Clean Energy Buyers Association, Southern Alliance for Clean Energy, Georgia Interfaith Power & Light, Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority, Sierra Club, Advanced Power Alliance, Southern Renewable Energy Association, Walmart Inc., Georgia Center for Energy Solutions, Inc., and Georgia Watch. The Coalition's rights and interests cannot be adequately represented by any other party to the above-styled dockets, and its participation in this matter will not unduly delay these proceedings or prejudice any other party.

4.

The Coalition respectfully requests that it be granted leave to intervene and participate fully as a party in these proceedings, including the right to present testimony and exhibits, cross-examine witnesses, and file briefs. The Coalition has participated in prior Georgia Power IRP proceedings.

5.

The Coalition respectfully requests that the following persons receive all notices, correspondence, pleadings, and copies of orders and other materials in these dockets, and that all communications regarding these dockets be directed to them:

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WHEREFORE, the Coalition respectfully requests that the Commission grant its application for leave to intervene and admit it as a full party of record in these proceedings with all right attendant thereto.

Respectfully submitted this 20th day of December, 2023

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VERIFICATION OF APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Personally appeared before the undersigned officer, duly authorized to administer oaths in the State and County aforesaid, Nina R. Hickson authorized by the City of Atlanta (a part of the Georgia Coalition of Local Governments) to exercise this verification on its behalf and that the facts contained in the foregoing Joint Application for Leave to Intervene are true and correct to the best of their information and belief.

This 20th day of December, 2023

Nina R. Hickson

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Sworn to and subscribed before me
this 20th day of December 2023.

Eric Hoskin

OFFICIAL SEAL
ERIC HOSKIN
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My Commission Expires
June 8, 2024

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that I have this 20th day of December, 2023 electronically filed with the Georgia Public Service Commission and served the following parties with the foregoing **APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE OF THE GEORGIA COALITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS,** by electronic mail.

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