Standards of Conduct for
Georgia Power Company's
2023 Biomass Request for Proposals

1. Definitions. These Standards of Conduct ("**Standards"**) use the following defined terms:

- **2022 IRP**: GPC's 2022 Integrated Resource Plan approved by the Commission in July 2022, which adopted an integrated resource plan identifying supply-side resource blocks to be added by GPC over specific periods in time.
- **2023 Biomass RFP**: The 2023 Biomass Request for Proposals, which is expected to be issued to the marketplace by GPC on the date approved by the Commission and which identifies the biomass resources to be procured, as set out in the 2022 IRP, as amended, if applicable.
- **Acknowledgement**: The form of Standards Acknowledgement attached to these Standards as **Exhibit A**, and incorporated herein by reference, that must be executed by each Evaluation Team member and Bid Team member, verified, and filed with the Commission as provided herein.
- **Bid Team**: If applicable, collective reference to employees or representatives of any GPC affiliate that intends to submit, or that submitted, a bid in response to the 2023 Biomass RFP.
- **Bidder**: Any entity or individual submitting or potentially submitting a bid in response to this 2023 RFP.
- **Commission**: The Georgia Public Service Commission.
- **Evaluation Team**: Collective reference to employees or representatives of GPC or its affiliate SCS who are involved in preparing the 2023 Biomass RFP, evaluating bids submitted in response to the RFP, or otherwise acting for or on behalf of GPC regarding any aspect of the preparation or conduct of the RFP Process.
- **GPC**: Georgia Power Company, the utility issuing the 2023 Biomass RFP.
- **Independent Evaluator** or **IE**: Accion Group, LLC, who reports to the Commission and is under contract with GPC to oversee the RFP Process and who serves as the point of contact for all Bidders, or any successor entity filling that role selected pursuant to the RFP Rule.
- **PPA Execution Date**: The date on which a power purchase agreement, between GPC and the winning Bidder(s), is executed pursuant to the RFP Process.
- **RFP Conclusion**: Execution of all final PPAs negotiated in the 2023 Biomass RFP or termination of the 2023 Biomass RFP.
- **RFP Process**: Preparation and issuance of the 2023 Biomass RFP and all associated activities, which are expected to terminate upon the execution of one or more PPAs between GPC and the winning Bidder(s), and in which an Independent Evaluator will participate as contemplated by the RFP Rule.
- **RFP Rule**: Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3), as amended from time to time, if applicable.

- **RFP Service Date**: The date the Evaluation Team list is initially filed with the Commission.
- **SCS**: Southern Company Services, Inc., an affiliate of GPC that performs services as agent for GPC.

2. Identification and Separation. By no later than the RFP Service Date, the Evaluation Team will be separately identified and physically segregated from any Bid Team for purposes of all activities comprising the RFP Process. A list of the name and title of each member of the Evaluation Team and any Bid Team will be filed with the Commission and with the IE.

3. Evaluation Team and Bid Team Communication (if Applicable). There will be no communication, either direct or indirect, between any Evaluation Team member and any Bid Team member from the RFP Service Date through the RFP Conclusion regarding the 2023 Biomass RFP, any RFP document, the RFP Process, the evaluation, the evaluation process, or any related subject, except: (i) necessary communications as may be made through the IE, and (ii) if applicable, negotiations between the Evaluation Team and the Bid Team for a final PPA, if the Bid Team submits a winning bid(s).

4. Communication with Bidders. After the RFP Service Date, no member of the Evaluation Team may have direct or indirect contact or communication with a Bidder pertaining to the 2023 Biomass RFP, any RFP document, the RFP Process, the evaluation, the evaluation process, or any related subject, EXCEPT through the IE as further described in the RFP Rule, until such time as a winning bid is selected by GPC and negotiations for a final PPA have begun with such Bidder, or the RFP Conclusion.

5. Information Sharing Prohibited. At no time following the RFP Service Date may an Evaluation Team member share any information regarding the RFP Process with any Bidder, including the Bid Team, unless the precise same information is shared with all B in the same manner and at the same time. If any Bidder, including the Bid Team, attempts to directly contact a member of the Evaluation Team regarding the 2023 Biomass RFP, any RFP document, the RFP Process, the evaluation, the evaluation process, or any related subject, the Evaluation Team member must direct such person to the IE for all information and must report such communication to the IE.

6. Evaluation Team Acknowledgement. On or before the RFP Service Date, as a condition to serving on the Evaluation Team, each member of the Evaluation Team must execute the Acknowledgement, agreeing to abide by the restrictions and conditions contained in these Standards. If any new member is added to the Evaluation Team following the RFP Service Date, the new member must execute the Acknowledgement: (i) agreeing to abide by all restrictions and conditions of these Standards; and (ii) certifying that the member has not engaged in any communication on or after the RFP Service Date that would have violated these Standards if the new member had been a member of the Evaluation Team as of the RFP Service Date. GPC, in coordination with the Evaluation Team, will file an initial Evaluation Team list with the Commission and the IE on the RFP Service Date and, if applicable, will file updated list(s) and Acknowledgement(s) from new Evaluation Team member(s) periodically during the RFP Process, as required by RFP Rule.

7. Evaluation Team Reaffirmation. At the PPA Execution Date, each member of the Evaluation Team must reaffirm compliance with all restrictions and conditions of the Standards. GPC, in coordination with the Evaluation Team, will promptly file a final Evaluation Team list with the Commission and will provide all Evaluation Team reaffirmation Acknowledgements to the IE.

8. Bid Team Acknowledgement (if Applicable). On or before the RFP Service Date, as a condition to serving on the Bid Team, each Bid Team member must execute the Acknowledgement, agreeing to abide by all restrictions and conditions of these Standards. If any new member is added to the Bid Team following the RFP Service Date, the new member must execute the Acknowledgement: (i) agreeing to abide by the restrictions and conditions contained in these Standards; and (ii) certifying that the member has not engaged in any communication on or after the RFP Service Date that would have violated these Standards if the new member had been a member of the Bid Team as of the RFP Service Date. GPC, in coordination with the Bid Team, will file an initial Bid Team list with the Commission and the IE on the RFP Service Date and, if applicable, will file updated list(s) and Acknowledgement(s) from new Bid Team members periodically during the RFP Process, as required by RFP Rule.

9. Bid Team Reaffirmation (if Applicable). At the PPA Execution Date, each member of the Bid Team must reaffirm compliance with all restrictions and conditions of the Standards. GPC, in coordination with the Bid Team, will promptly file a final Bid Team list with the Commission and will provide all Bid Team reaffirmation Acknowledgements to the IE.

EXHIBIT A

Standards of Conduct Acknowledgement

(Evaluation Team)

I, William Houser, being duly sworn, hereby acknowledge:

1. I am employed by Georgia Power Company and I serve as a member of the Evaluation Team, as defined in the Standards of Conduct for Georgia Power Company's 2023 Biomass RFP ("**Standards of Conduct"**), to assist GPC in the RFP Process and with the evaluation of bids submitted in response to the 2023 Biomass RFP.

2. I have read and understand the Standards of Conduct.

3. I hereby agree to abide by all requirements of the Standards of Conduct.

4. If I am a new member being added to the Evaluation Team following the RFP Service Date, I hereby state that I have not engaged in any communication on or after the RFP Service Date that would have violated the Standards of Conduct if I had been a member of the Evaluation Team as of the RFP Service Date.

5. If I become aware of any violation of the Standards of Conduct, I will promptly report such violation to the Independent Evaluator.

Signed: _____

Date: 01/04/2024