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IN RE: GEORGIA POWER COMPANY'S 2023 DISTRIBUTED GENERATION REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

ORDER APPROVING AND CERTIFYING POWER PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FROM THE 2023 DG RFP

On August 15, 2023, the Georgia Public Service Commission ("Commission") approved Georgia Power Company's ("Georgia Power" or "Company") 2023 Distributed Generation ("DG") Request for Proposals ("RFP") for Solar Photovoltaic Generation ("2023 DG RFP") documents in Docket No. 44942. As approved by the Commission in its Order Adopting Stipulation in Docket No. 44160 ("IRP Order") regarding Georgia Power's 2022 Integrated Resource Plan, the 2023 DG RFP was designed to procure 193 megawatts ("MW") of DG solar photovoltaic resources sized greater than 250 kilowatts ("kW") up to 6 MW (AC) through a market-based solicitation.

To qualify for this program, a project must be a fixed-tilt or tracking solar photovoltaic DG resource. Each project must interconnect to a Georgia Power distribution circuit. Bid pricing may be levelized over the entire PPA Term or escalate each annual Period. The Best Cost Threshold was used to determine which bids were considered Economically Competitive Submissions. Developers can elect a project term of 15, 20, 25, 30 or 35 years.

Georgia Power and its counterparties have executed the first group of 2023 DG RFP power purchase agreements ("PPAs"), consisting of six projects totaling 19.65 MW, the effectiveness of which is subject to the Commission's approval. On August 9, 2024, Georgia Power filed its first request which included Attachment 1, a spreadsheet that included project-specific information for each PPA counterparty and facility. The terms and conditions of these PPAs are pro forma and are consistent with what the Commission approved on August 15, 2023. In its filing, Georgia Power requested that the 2023 DG RFP PPAs be deemed certified because the need for these new resources was sourced from a need identified in the IRP Order. After its review, Staff recommended approval and certification of the PPAs that were listed in Attachment 1 of the Company's filing.

The Commission approved Staff's recommendation at the August 20, 2024, Administrative Session.

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WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that the Distributed Generation Power Purchase Agreements listed in Attachment 1 of Georgia Power Company's August 9, 2024 filing are hereby approved and deemed certified.

ORDERED FURTHER, that all findings, conclusions, statements, and directives made by the Commission and contained in the foregoing sections of this Order are hereby adopted as findings of fact, conclusions of law, statements of regulatory policy, and orders of this Commission.

ORDERED FURTHER, that a motion for reconsideration, rehearing, or oral argument or any other motion shall not stay the effective date of this Order, unless otherwise ordered by the Commission.

ORDERED FURTHER, that jurisdiction over this matter is expressly retained for the purpose of entering such further Order or Orders as this Commission may deem just and proper.

The above by action of the Commission in Administrative Session on the 20th day of August 2024.

Sallie Tanner
Executive Secretary

8-20-24
Date

Jason Shaw
Chairman

8-20-24
Date