BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

GEORGIA POWER COMPANY
DOCKET NO. 56258

Georgia Power Company's Application for the Certification of the Twiggs County Battery Energy Storage System

BASIS FOR THE ASSERTION THAT THE INFORMATION SUBMITTED IS A TRADE SECRET

Georgia Power Company ("Georgia Power" or the "Company") submits to the Georgia Public Service Commission its Direct Testimony in Support of the Application for Certification of Twiggs County Battery Energy Storage Systems ("BESS") in Docket No. 56258 (the "Direct Testimony") which contains non-public project cost information specific to the Twiggs County BESS (the "Information"). Certain portions of the Information are trade secrets of Georgia Power and Southern Company and their affiliates and is therefore protected from public disclosure under Commission Rule 515-3-1-.11.

The trade secret portions of the Information derive 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 their disclosure or use. Specifically, the trade secret portions of the Information contained herein include competitively sensitive project pricing specific to the proposed resources to be certified. If the Information were made public, competitors, bidders, and suppliers could use the Information to unfairly manipulate future request for proposals processes to structure future bids and set an artificial price floor to arbitrarily increase prices to the detriment of the Company and its customers. Further, public dissemination of the Information would undermine Georgia Power's ability to negotiate the best price and contract terms for equipment, labor, and services necessary to complete the project. This in turn could challenge the Company's ability to procure and develop the best cost resources for customers and ultimately result in customers paying more the resource than would otherwise have been required if the Information were not disclosed.

The trade secret portions of the Information are subject to substantial procedures to maintain their secrecy. Only select Georgia Power and Southern Company personnel are granted access to the trade secret portions of the Information. Those personnel receive access only on a "need to know" basis. Parties outside Georgia Power and Southern Company affiliates and their legal counsel who have been granted access to the trade secret portions of the Information, if any, have been required to sign confidentiality agreements.

Marc Vinson, first being duly sworn, deposes and states that he has reviewed the Application and all other related documents included in this filing in Docket No. 56258, and that the specific information designated as trade secret constitutes trade secrets in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 10-1-761 (2019).

Marc Vinson
Renewable Program Development Manager
Georgia Power Company

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of June, 2025.

Notary Public

PAMELA GRAYER NOTARY PUBLIC FULTON COUNTY GEORGIA EXPIRES 8/9/2025