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PROCEDURAL AND SCHEDULING ORDER

In RE: ATLANTA GAS LIGHT COMPANY'S
2025-2028 CAPACITY SUPPLY PLAN

Background

The Georgia Public Service Commission ("Commission") hereby issues this Procedural and Scheduling Order for the purpose of identifying the issues, establishing discovery procedures, including expedited response times, and establishing a hearing schedule concerning the 2025 – 2028 Capacity Supply Plan to be filed by Atlanta Gas Light Company ("AGL" or "Company"). If the Company and the Staff are unable to mutually agree upon discovery procedures, the Commission will provide for such procedures. The Commission has jurisdiction pursuant to the Code.

This case marks the Company's ninth complete capacity supply plan filing under the Georgia Natural Gas Competition and Deregulation Act, O.C.G.A. § 46-4-150 *et seq.* ("the Code"). On September 29, 2022, the Commission issued its Order for AGL's 2022-2025 Capacity Supply Plan.

Applicable Statutes

The Code, particularly O.C.G.A. § 46-4-155(e)(3), directs that at least every third year following the date when the rates for commodity sales service within a delivery group or groups become no longer subject to Commission approval, nor to the provisions of O.C.G.A. § 46-2-26.5, AGL shall file, on or before August 1 of such year, a capacity plan

that designates the array of available interstate capacity assets selected by AGL for the purpose of making gas available on its system for firm distribution service to retail customers in such delivery group or groups. AGL is hereby made a party and shall be bound by the Commission's rulings in this docket.

Discovery

This proceeding also shall be deemed "complex litigation" as that phrase is used in O.C.G.A. § 9-11-33(a). Discovery procedures shall apply accordingly. The Commission authorizes the Staff to issue discovery pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-2-57(a). The Staff may conduct depositions and use any other methods of formal and informal discovery in this docket. The use of any informal discovery methods shall not augment or abridge existing discovery rights and responsibilities. Given the short discovery, the Company and Staff agree that data request responses will be expedited and returned within 10 days for the period of July 1, 2025 to September 16, 2025 after issuance to the Company.

Notice

Pursuant to the Commission's Utility Rule 515-2-1-.04, AGL is directed to give first notice of this proceeding in this docket.

Issues Involved

O.C.G.A. § 46-4-155(e)(6) requires that any Capacity Supply Plan approved or adopted by the Commission shall:

- (a) Specify the range of the requirements to be supplied by interstate capacity assets;
- (b) Describe the array of interstate capacity assets selected by the electing distribution company to meet such requirements;
- (c) Describe the criteria of the electing distribution company for entering into contracts under such array of interstate capacity assets from time to time to meet such requirements; provided, however, that a capacity supply plan approved or adopted by the commission shall not prescribe the individual contracts to be executed by the electing distribution company in order to implement such plan; and
- (d) Specify the portion of the interstate capacity assets which must be retained and utilized by the electing distribution company in order to manage and operate its system.

Also, Commission Rule 515-7-11-.04 specifies the minimum filing requirements to be filed with a Capacity Supply Plan.

In view of the expedited statutory requirements, the Commission encourages the parties to work together and reach agreements, if possible, on non-contested issues.

Below is the schedule for this docket.

Hearing Schedule

Tuesday, July 1, 2025

AGL shall pre-file with the office of the Executive Secretary by 4 p.m. using the Alternative E-filing¹ its Capacity Supply Plan using Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. All Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact. In addition, the Company will file eight printed Trade Secret copies.

Thursday, August 7, 2025

Intervenors may pre-file with the office of the Executive Secretary by 4 p.m. using the Alternative E-filing their direct testimony using Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. All Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact. In addition, eight physical copies of the filing, including any Trade Secret data, should be filed by 4 p.m.

Tuesday, August 19, 2025

Staff may pre-file with the office of the Executive Secretary by 4 p.m. using the Alternative E-filing its direct testimony using Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. All Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact. eight physical copies of the filing, including any Trade Secret data, should be filed by 4 p.m.

Wednesday, August 27, 2025

AGL may pre-file with the office of the Executive Secretary by 4 p.m. using the Alternative E-filing its rebuttal testimony using Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. All Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact. eight physical copies of the filing, including any Trade Secret data, should be filed by 4 p.m.

Thursday, September 4, 2025

At the beginning of the hearing, the Commission will hear public comments and will consider any outstanding motions from the parties. After these preliminary matters, the Commission will conduct hearings on the direct testimonies of AGL, intervenors, and Staff, and then rebuttal testimony of AGL. The hearing shall commence at 9:30 a.m. o following the Commission's scheduled Administrative Session at the Georgia Public Service Commission, Room 110, 244 Washington Street S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30334-5701.

¹ See Commission website for alternative filing instructions: <https://psc.ga.gov/site/downloads/alternative-efile.pdf>

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

All parties may file briefs and any proposed orders in one simultaneous round using the Alternative E-filing using Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. All Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact.

Tuesday, September 16, 2025

The Commission shall consider and decide the issues involved in this matter at the Commission's regularly scheduled Administrative at the Georgia Public Service Commission, Room 110, 244 Washington Street S.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30334-5701.

Procedures

The following are procedures to which any party to this hearing should adhere with respect to this Docket.

Intervention

Applications to intervene and Commission approval thereof are covered by O.C.G.A. § 46-2-59 and Commission Rule 515-2-1-.06. Each applicant shall use the Alternative E-filing for its application to intervene.

In addition, each applicant shall submit a copy of its application to AGL² and all other parties who have applied to intervene with a Certificate of Service. To obtain a list of other intervenor applicants, contact Ms. Diana Cain, Georgia Public Service Commission, 244 Washington Street, SW, Atlanta, GA 30334 (Telephone at 404-656-0945).

Intervention Period

Any person or party upon whom a statute does not confer an unconditional right to intervene must file an application to intervene within thirty (30) days following the first published notice of the proceedings.

² The gas utility applicant is a party of record who must be served with a copy of any application to intervene. Failure to serve this party, or any other party, tolls a fifteen (15) day limit for objections to intervention until the defect (i.e., service on parties of record) is corrected.

Application Requirements

In addition to the requirements prescribed in O.C.G.A. § 46-2-59 for applications for leave to intervene, the applicant must: (1) identify other intervening parties or intervening party applicants whose interest are similar to that of the applicant along with an explanation of why the identified intervening parties or intervening party applicants will not adequately represent the applicant's interest; and (2) state the applicant's present intention to submit direct testimony and by whom and on what subject. The requirements identified herein shall constitute a continuing obligation of the applicant or intervening party.

Late Applications for Intervention

Any application for leave to intervene filed late must state the reason why such application was not submitted within thirty (30) days of the first published notice. Objections to late intervention applications must be filed in conformance with the requirements of O.C.G.A. § 46-2-59(d).

Rulings on Intervention Applications

The Commission will take up and rule on applications for leave to intervene at the first hearing date scheduled in this docket.

Filing and Service

A party or intervenors' filing must be submitted to the Georgia Public Service Commission using the Alternative E-filing in Microsoft Word® format for text documents and Excel® for spreadsheets. Excel® spreadsheets provided shall have its formulas live and intact. Furthermore, copies of all pleadings, filings, correspondences, and any other documents related to and submitted in the course of this docketed matter should be served upon the following individual in their capacities as indicated below, and all other intervenors recognized by the Commission in this docket, including the attorney of record:

Keimani Harvey
Georgia Public Service Commission
244 Washington Street, S.W.
Atlanta, GA 30334

Each party and intervenor has the responsibility to serve copies of any documents filed with the Commission upon each intervenor and intervenor applicant. Furthermore, in the case of documents filed prior to the deadline for intervention established above, electronic copies shall also be served upon each party indicated in the Certificate of Service accompanying this Order.

Testimony of Witnesses

- (a) Summations of direct testimony will take no longer than fifteen (15) minutes or, at the discretion of the Commission, no longer than thirty (30) minutes.
- (b) Summations should be limited to testimony and exhibits in the pre-filed testimony.
- (c) Demonstrative handouts intended to be used during summations of the pre-filed testimony or in opening or closing statements, if applicable, must be pre-filed at least five (5) days prior to the hearing and must be limited to the scope of the testimony and exhibits in the pre-filed testimony.
- (d) Except for good cause shown, corrections to testimony must be pre-filed at least five (5) days prior to the hearing.
- (e) In the absence of a valid objection made and sustained to pre-filed testimony, the pre-filed testimony and exhibits, with corrections, will be admitted into the record as if orally given prior to the witness' summation, subject to a motion to strike after admission or other relevant objection.
- (f) Where the testimony of a panel of witnesses is presented, cross-examination may either be addressed to the panel, in which case any member of the panel may answer, or cross-examination may be addressed to an individual panel member, in which case that panel member shall give the answer; provided, however, that any other panel member shall be allowed to supplement the answer given.
- (g) Only upon the authorization of the Commission shall any witnesses who have filed separate testimony be permitted to sit as a panel. The number of persons sitting on any panel shall not exceed four (4) persons, unless specifically authorized by the Commission.
- (h) Absent good cause, motions to strike any portion of pre-filed testimony must be filed at least two (2) days prior to the hearing.
- (i) Except for good cause shown, all exhibits to be used in the hearing must be pre-filed at least five (5) days prior to the hearing.

Hearing Exhibits

For the record in all hearings, it shall be the responsibility of the parties sponsoring any hearing exhibits to ensure the court reporter, all parties of record and the individual Commissioners receive copies of all hearing exhibits at the time of their introduction at the hearing.


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WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that the Commission hereby adopts the procedures, schedules, and statements regarding the issues set forth within this Procedural and Scheduling Order.


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 on entering such further Order or Orders as to this Commission may seem just and proper.

The above by action of the Commission in its Administrative Session on this 15th day of April 2025.



Sallie Tanner
Executive Secretary



Jason Shaw
Chairman

4-15-25
Date

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