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Docket No. 56298

**In Re: Georgia Power Company's Application for the Certification of Capacity from the
2029-2031 All-Source RFP**

and

Docket No. 56310

**In Re: Georgia Power Company's Application for the Certification of Supplemental
Resources for 2028-2031 Capacity**

ORDER ADOPTING STIPULATION AND GRANTING CERTIFICATION OF CAPACITY FROM THE 2029-2031 ALL-SOURCE RFP AND SUPPLEMENTAL RESOURCES FOR 2028-2031 CAPACITY

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STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS

This matter comes before the Georgia Public Service Commission (“Commission”) to consider Georgia Power Company’s (“Georgia Power” or “Company”) Application for the Certification of Capacity from the 2029-2031 All-Source Request for Proposals (“RFP”) (Docket No. 56298) and Application for the Certification of Supplemental Resources for 2028-2031 Capacity (Docket No. 56310) filed by the Company on July 30, 2025.

The Commission first authorized the Company to conduct an All-Source Capacity Request for Proposal (“RFP”) to meet projected capacity needs in 2029-2031, in its July 29, 2022, Order in Docket No. 44160, Georgia Power Company’s 2022 Integrated Resource Plan. The Company filed its 2022 Integrated Resource Plan (“IRP”) on January 31, 2022. At that time, the Company did not identify any projected significant amount of data center load growth that would be added to the system in future years.

One year later, the Company’s load forecast changed dramatically based on forecasts by the Company of a surge in the number of large-load data center developers considering projects in Georgia. As a result, the Company filed the 2023 IRP Update on October 27, 2023 to address its forecasted increased capacity needs. In the 2023 IRP Update, the Commission certified new capacity to address forecasted new large-load customers.

This new capacity consisted of the 750 MW Mississippi Power Company (“MPC”) Power Purchase Agreement (“PPA”) for the term of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028,¹ and the 230 MW Santa Rosa Energy Center PPA for the term that began right after certification through

¹ Moody, Hammond, and McGraw Ford Phase I and II BESS, Docket No. 55378 & 44160, Approved December 12, 2024.

December 31, 2028.² Also connected with the 2023 IRP Update, the Commission certified 1,300 MWs of Yates Units 8-10 Combustion Turbine (“CT”) capacity on August 29, 2024,³ and 765 MWs of battery energy storage system (“BESS”) capacity associated with the Robins, Moody, Hammond, and McGrau Ford Phase I and II BESS projects on December 12, 2024.⁴ In addition to this capacity, a separate 500 MW renewable RFP was approved in the 2022 IRP proceeding, and is currently being conducted for resources that would be available as early as 2028.⁵ The Company also identified 136 MW of winter capacity through the 2023 CARES RFP and 180 MW through the 2027-2029 BESS RFP. Finally, from the 2025 IRP, the Commission approved postponement of retirements at Scherer 3 and the Gaston Plant, which added approximately 928 MW through 2034, the Commission approved the Company’s plans to perform uprates at Plant McIntosh and Plant Vogtle, and it approved the Company’s request to certify capacity from Plant Scherer Unit 3, which had previously been wholesale capacity. Altogether, the Commission has certified the addition of approximately 4,080 MW of winter capacity by 2031.⁶

The Company’s load forecast increased even more when its 2025 IRP was filed on January 31, 2025, and it was revised further in the February 2025 load forecast update, predicting total peak load growth of 9,354 MW, from a 16,236 MW Winter Peak 2024/2025 to a 25,590 MW Winter Peak 2031/3032.⁷

The Company issued the 2029-2031 All-Source RFP on June 6, 2024, announcing an estimated need for 8,500 Megawatts of new capacity resources. The All-Source RFP was overseen by the Commission Public Interest Advocacy Staff (“PIA Staff”) and an Independent Evaluator (“IE”), Accion Group, LLC, in accordance with Commission Rule 515-3-4-.04(3) et seq. (“RFP Rule”). After completing the RFP, the Company now seeks a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Commission for 7,999 MW of resources, which includes four thermal PPAs (collectively the “All-Source PPAs”), three thermal Company Owned Projects (“COP”) for five combined cycles (“CCs”), nine standalone BESS COPs, and two BESS + Solar COPs (collectively the “All-Source COP Proposals”).

To address forecasted capacity needs remaining after the All-Source RFP and Winter 2027/2028 BESS RFP, the Company also seeks a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity from the Commission for a 1,886 MW portfolio of supplemental resources that includes five BESS PPAs with NextEra Energy Resources (“NEER”) entities and accompanying solar PPA amendments, a BESS COP and solar PPA amendment, a thermal PPA with Tenaska Heard County, and a PPA amendment with Mississippi Power Company (“MPC”) to add additional MW for 2029 under the parties’ existing contract (collectively, “Supplemental Resources”). The Company seeks certification of the Supplemental Resources through the RFP exceptions in Commission Rules 515-3-4-.04(3)(f)(3) and (6).⁸

On November 7, 2023, the Commission approved Accion Group, LLC to serve as the

² Order Adopting Stipulated Agreement, Georgia Power 2023 IRP Update, Docket No. 55378, Approved April 16, 2024.

³ Order Granting Certification of Plant Yates Units 8-10, Docket No. 55378, Approved August 29, 2024.

⁴ Order Adopting Stipulation and Granting Certification of Robins, Moody, Hammond, and McGrau Ford Phase I and II BESS, Docket No. 55378 & 44160, Approved December 12, 2024.

⁵ <https://www.ascendanalytics.com/georgia-power/gpc-rfp-for-ess-2025>. The Company showed these resources starting in Winter 2028/2029 in its load and resource balance tables.

⁶ See Prefiled Testimony of Newsome, Hayet, and Wellborn, pp. 11-12.

⁷ See Georgia Power’s Prefiled Rebuttal Testimony, 2025 IRP, Docket 56002, p. 21, Fig. 2.

⁸ See Prefiled testimony of Curylo, Grubb, and Looney, p. 7, lines 5-13.

Independent Evaluator (“IE”) in the All-Source RFP. The Company drafted the All-Source RFP, a pro forma CC PPA, a pro forma CT PPA, a pro forma Energy Storage System (“ESS”) with Renewable Resource PPA, a pro forma Standalone ESS PPA, a pro forma Asset Purchase Agreement (“APA”), and a pro forma Build Transfer Agreement (“BTA”) (collectively, the “RFP Documents”). Georgia Power then posted the draft RFP on the IE Website on February 26, 2024, and the four pro forma PPAs on March 8, 2024. The Comment Period opened on the day the RFP and pro forma PPAs were shared and closed on March 29, 2024. The Comment Period for the pro forma APA and BTA was between May 10, 2024, and May 20, 2024. Altogether, a total of 539 comments from nine participants were received and responded to via the IE Website during the Comment Periods. Each of the comments submitted was reviewed by the Company, Commission Staff, and the IE, and responses to the comments were provided to the commenters by the IE on June 11, 2024.⁹

On June 6, 2024, the Company filed the final RFP Documents as revised for Commission approval. The Commission approved the RFP Documents, as modified, on June 18, 2024, in its Administrative Session. Accordingly, Georgia Power issued the All-Source RFP on June 20, 2024. The Company accepted proposals through the IE Website from qualified participants through July 18, 2024, for COP submissions and affiliate bids, and July 19, 2024, for all other bids. The Company ultimately received offers for approximately 14,902 MW of nominal capacity through 54 different proposals.¹⁰

After all proposals were submitted, Georgia Power, Commission Staff, and the IE conducted an initial screening process to assess proposals for compliance with the RFP requirements. This resulted in establishing the Conforming List—33 proposals totaling 10,160 MW of nominal capacity. Georgia Power evaluated and ranked the Conforming List using a net evaluated cost analysis approach. The net total cost is the net present value (“NPV”) of the generation and transmission aspects of the submission in dollars per kilowatt (\$/kW), including fixed and variable costs along with any energy benefits.¹¹

After the conclusion of both of the refreshed submission processes in late February 2025, Georgia Power re-ranked all active submissions and, on March 14, 2025, identified a Competitive Tier for further evaluation. There were 25 proposals in the Competitive Tier, totaling 9,481 unique MW of nominal capacity.¹²

On May 16, 2025, after completing the evaluation of the Competitive Tier submissions, Georgia Power identified a Short List of winning projects to advance to contracting and certification. The Short List was comprised of 21 proposals, totaling 7,999 MW of nominal capacity. Through the All-Source RFP, Georgia Power selected a portfolio totaling 7,999 MW comprised of four PPAs and 14 COP projects.

⁹ Id. pp. 7-8.

¹⁰ Id. pp. 8-9.

¹¹ Id., p. 10, lines 10-16.

¹² Id., p.10, lines 17-20.

Following the evaluation process detailed above, Georgia Power entered into four PPAs totaling 1,195 MW that are proposed for certification. The four PPAs, as shown on Table 1.2 of the Application, are as follows:

- (1) The Sandersville PPA is a 15-year PPA with AL Sandersville, LLC to provide firm capacity, firm energy, and ancillary services from the 146 MW Sandersville facility located in Warthen, Washington County, Georgia. The Sandersville facility provides a winter equivalent capacity of 156 MW.
- (2) A 20-year PPA with Mid-Georgia Cogen L.P. to provide firm capacity, firm energy, and ancillary services from the 317 MW Mid-Georgia Cogen facility located in Kathleen, Houston County, Georgia (“Mid-Georgia Cogen PPA”). The Mid-Georgia Cogen facility provides a winter equivalent capacity of 320 MW. Delivery under the Mid-Georgia Cogen PPA would commence on June 1, 2028.
- (3) A 10-year PPA with Southern Power Company to provide firm capacity, firm energy, and ancillary services from the 74 MW Plant Dahlberg facility located in Nicholson, Jackson County, Georgia (“Dahlberg 4 PPA”). The Plant Dahlberg facility provides a winter equivalent capacity of 87 MW.
- (4) A 15-year PPA with Southern Power Company to provide firm capacity, firm energy, and ancillary services from the 658 MW Plant Harris facility located in Prattville, Autauga County, Alabama (“Harris 1 PPA”). The Plant Harris facility provides a winter equivalent capacity of 683 MW.¹³

The Company has also proposed for certification in Docket No. 56310 a mix of PPAs, PPA amendments, and a Company-owned proposals, specifically consisting of:

- Five BESS PPAs with NextEra Energy Resources (“NEER”) (the “NEER BESS PPAs”) providing a total, nominal capacity of approximately 646 MW of four-hour BESS paired with existing solar facilities with current Georgia Power PPAs.
- The 260 MW four-hour Wadley BESS Project paired with an existing solar facility with a current Georgia Power PPA.
- A PPA with Tenaska Georgia Partners, L.P. (the “Tenaska Heard County PPA”) for six dual-fuel CTs at the Heard County facility for 930 MW summer capacity and 945 MW winter capacity.
- An amendment to the Company’s current PPA with MPC for 50 MW of nominal capacity and associated energy to add an additional year (January 1, 2029, through December 31, 2029) to the Company’s current PPA ending on December 31, 2028.¹⁴

On June 18, 2025, the Commission issued its Procedural and Scheduling Order (“PSO”) setting forth the dates for the filing of testimony and briefs, as well as the dates for hearing in this matter. These proceedings were declared to be contested cases as the term is defined in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-13 and were also held to encompass complex litigation pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 9-11-33.

¹³ Id., pp. 15-16.

¹⁴ Id., pp. 17-18.

The PSO set a due date of September 17, 2025, for Georgia Power to remit a fee for the consideration of its certification applications, which was set by the Commission on August 22, 2025, in the amount of \$475,131. Georgia Power remitted the fee as set by the Commission on September 11, 2025. Under the PSO, the Commission scheduled its final determination of these matters for December 19, 2025. The PSO identified the statutory deadline for a decision in this matter as March 16, 2026.

On July 30, 2025, the Company filed its application requesting the Commission grant Certificates of Need and Convenience (“Certificate”), pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-4 *et seq.*, for fifteen Company-Owned Projects listed below:

Source	Project	Resource Type	MW	COD
RFP	South Hall	BESS	250	11/1/2028
RFP	Bowen Phase I	BESS	250	11/1/2028
RFP	Wansley	BESS	500	11/1/2028
RFP	Yates Phase I	BESS	320	11/1/2028
RFP	Yates Phase II	BESS	250	11/1/2028
RFP	Bowen Phase II	BESS	250	11/1/2029
RFP	Thomson	BESS	500	11/1/2029
RFP	Hammond Phase II	BESS	193	11/1/2030
RFP	McIntosh	BESS	250	11/1/2030
RFP	Laurens County	Solar + BESS	200	11/30/2028
RFP	Plant Mitchell	Solar + BESS	150	11/30/2028
RFP	Bowen Unit 7-8	CC/	1,482	11/1/2029
RFP	Wansley Unit 10-11	CC/	1,453	11/1/2029
RFP	McIntosh Unit 12	CC/	757	11/1/2030
Supp	Wadley	BESS/	260	11/30/2027
	Total		7,065	

In its Application, the Company also requested the Commission to grant Certificates for eleven Power Purchase Agreements (“PPAs”) listed below:

Source	Project	Resource Type	Nominal MW	COD
RFP	MidGA Cogen	CC	317	6/1/2028
RFP	Dahlberg 4	CT	74	6/1/2030
RFP	Harris 1	CC	658	6/1/2030
RFP	Sandersville	CT	146	12/1/2030
Supp	Tenaska Heard	CT	930	6/1/2030
Supp	MPC	System	50	1/1/2029
Supp	NEER Decatur	BESS	200	12/1/2027
Supp	NEER Dougherty County	BESS	120	12/1/2027
Supp	NEER Washington County	BESS	150	12/1/2027
Supp	NEER White Oak	BESS	76	12/1/2027
Supp	NEER White Pine	BESS	100	12/1/2027
	Total		2,821	

In support of its Applications, on August 15, 2025, the Company filed testimony for two panels of witnesses. The first panel included witnesses Kristin W. Curylo, Jeffrey R. Grubb, and

M. Brandon Looney. The second panel included witnesses Michael A. Bush and Robert B. Hayes. On September 17, 2025, the Company filed additional testimony of Francisco Valle and its B2026 updated load forecast. On October 21-22, 2025, the joint panel of Curylo, Grubb, Looney and Valle, and the panel of Bush and Hayes, presented their direct testimony and responded to questions from the Commission, as well as cross-examination by the PIA Staff and Intervenors.

In accordance with the PSO, on November 12, 2025, PIA Staff filed testimony on behalf of two witness panels. The first panel consisted of Staff witnesses: Robert Trokey, Karan Pol, and Dylan Drugan. The second panel consisted of Staff Witnesses: Tom Newsome, Philip Hayet, and Leah Wellborn. Also on November 12, 2025, Intervenor Southern Renewable Energy Association, filed the testimony of witness, Miriam Makyoun, and Intervenors Sierra Club and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (“SACE”) filed the testimony of witness, Lucy Metz.

On November 12, 2025, Intervenors Sierra Club and SACE filed a Motion to postpone the final hearing in these dockets scheduled for December 10-12, 2025 to January 12, 2026, and to postpone the Commission’s final decision until January 20, 2026. That Motion was denied by Chairman Jason Shaw in an Order filed with the Commission on November 14, 2025.

On December 10, 2025, the Company and PIA Staff entered into the attached proposed Stipulation (“Stipulation”), resolving all issues in this proceeding. The same day, the Commission held a hearing at which members of the public provided comments; Staff presented the testimony of panel witnesses Robert Trokey, Dylan, Drugan, Karan Pol, and panel witnesses Tom Newsome, Leah Wellborn, and Philip Hayet; Intervenors SACE and Sierra Club presented testimony by witness Lucy Metz, and Intervenor Southern Renewable Energy Association (“SREA”) presented testimony by witness Miriam Makyoun; and Georgia Power Company presented rebuttal testimony by witnesses Kristin W. Curylo, Jeffrey R. Grubb, and M. Brandon Looney, Michael A. Bush, and Robert B. Hayes.

During the Hearing, PIA Staff Witness Robert Trokey testified in support of the Stipulation, stating that it addressed the core concern of protecting ratepayers from speculative load forecasts by safeguarding existing customers from premature and excessive investment. The Stipulation requires Georgia Power to backstop projected revenues from large load customers from 2029-2031. The backstop ensures at least \$8.50 cents per month in downward pressure on residential rates during the period, even if the new load does not materialize as forecasted. Notably, Georgia Power assumes a financial risk through 2031, which provides a significant buffer for ratepayers. Staff is also charged with closely monitoring Georgia Power’s compliance and will make recommendations as necessary.

Trokey further testified that the Stipulation includes conditions on resource certification where resources will be certified on plant level. Georgia Power cannot request cost increases until 6 months prior to the project’s estimated date of completion. These conditions allow the Commission to evaluate total cost impacts with better information about actual load materialization. Overall, the Stipulation achieves PIA Staff’s primary goal of protecting ratepayers from the financial risk of speculative load forecast while allowing Georgia Power to proceed with resource certifications under reasonable and enforceable conditions.

On December 16, 2025, PIA Staff submitted a Proposed Order granting the Company's Applications for Certification in these Dockets as modified by the Stipulation, incorporating the provisions agreed to in the Stipulation. Intervenors Georgia Interfaith Power & Light ("GIPL") and Southface Institute ("Southface"), SREA, and Sierra Club & SACE submitted post-hearing briefs that day as well, respectively, charging the following positions:

- GIPL and Southface recommended the Commission to "adopt a policy to ensure existing customers are protected from bearing any of the costs of serving or preparing to serve large customers, order quarterly monitoring of load growth, both organic and large load, with an opportunity for comment from Staff and Intervenors, and adopt Staff's Scenario 1, conditional certification proposal, after modifying the forecast to include the latest data and the corrections to the forecast identified in Staff's testimony, or adopt Staff's ranking of resources, as modified above to prioritize batteries over combined cycles, if the Commission adopts the Stipulation."¹⁵
- SREA urged the Commission to "foster a more inclusive, transparent, and competitive procurement environment that drives innovation, lowers project costs, and places downward pressure on customer rates."¹⁶ The Commission was also recommended to "direct that Georgia Power's subsequently issued RFPs incorporate" SREA's proposed changes, inclusive of the "2025 Energy Storage System ("ESS") RFP (scheduled to be filed for Commission approval on January 6, 2026), and the 2026 All-Source RFP (scheduled to be filed for Commission approval in February of 2026)."¹⁷
- Sierra Club & SACE recommended for Georgia Power's request to not be approved as filed. Instead, the Commission should "deny approval of Georgia Power's request to build the Bowen, Wansely, and McIntosh combined cycle (CC) gas plants" and "authorize certification of battery storage and battery plus solar resources, up to the amount necessary to serve data centers with signed contracts for electric service."¹⁸

On December 17, 2025, GIPL and Southface ("Petitioners") filed a follow-up Petition ("Petition") asking the Commission to order Georgia Power to supplement the record in the proceeding. Petitioners also requested a hearing in 30 days to permit Intervenors to ask Georgia Power clarifying questions and asked for a hearing pursuant to Rule 515-3-1-11(3), to grant them access to certain trade secret information under a confidentiality agreement. On December 18, 2025, Georgia Power filed a letter responding to the Petition, requesting that the Commission deny the Petition and approve the Stipulation between PIA Staff and Georgia Power. The parties addressed the Petitioner's Motion during the December 19, 2025, Special Energy Committee ("Special Committee"). A Special Administrative Session ("Administrative Session") immediately followed the Committee.

During the Administrative Session, the Chairman ruled under Rule 515-1-1-02 to grant the Petitioner's request to schedule a hearing pursuant to Rule 515-3-1-11(3) to determine whether Petitioners should be granted access to trade secret information under an appropriate

¹⁵ Georgia Interfaith Power & Light and Southface, Post-Hearing Brief of Georgia Interfaith Power & Light and Southface Energy Institute, p. 17 (Dec. 16, 2025)

¹⁶ Southern Renewable Energy Association, Southern Renewable Energy Association Post-Hearing Brief, p. 3 (Dec. 16, 2025).

¹⁷ Id. at pp. 3-4

¹⁸ Southern Alliance for Clean Energy and Sierra Club; Post-Hearing Brief of Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE) and Sierra Club; p. 4 (Dec. 16, 2025)

confidentiality agreement. The requests to supplement the record and to hold a clarification hearing were, however, denied as the Petitioners failed to justify the two requests as the record is complete and provided a sufficient basis upon which the Commission could render a decision. At the conclusion of the Administrative Session, the Commission declined to adopt any of the proposed Intervenor recommendations and unanimously voted in favor of adopting the Stipulation.

JURISDICTION AND AUTHORITY

Georgia Power Company is a public electric utility serving retail customers within the State of Georgia. Georgia Power is one of the retail operating companies of which the Southern Company system is comprised.

Under O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-3(a), after January 31, 1992, no utility shall commence the construction of an electric plant, sell an existing plant or any portion thereof which is included in the retail rate base or which has been certified, enter into a long-term purchase of electric power, or make expenditures for a demand-side capacity option for serving the utility's Georgia retail customers without having first obtained from the commission a certificate that public convenience and necessity requires, or will require, such construction, sale, purchase, or expenditure.

Georgia Power's Application for the Certification of Capacity Resources is governed by O.C.G.A § 46-3A-4(a), which provides:

The commission shall issue a certificate upon a finding that there is or will be a need for the proposed capacity resource at the time that the proposed resource is proposed to be utilized to assure an economical and reliable supply of electric power and energy for the Georgia retail customers of a utility, that the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity, and the certificate complies with the provisions of this chapter and the rules of the commission.

In certifying any Power Purchase Agreement ("PPA") put forth by a utility as a proposed capacity resource, the Commission also has authority to determine an "additional sum" to be recovered by the Company in rates, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 46-3A-8, which provides:

The approved or actual cost, whichever is less, of purchase of any certificated long-term power purchase shall be recovered in rates by the utility, along with an additional sum as determined by the commission to encourage such purchases. The commission shall consider lost revenues, if any, changed risks, and an equitable sharing of benefits between the utility and its retail customers.

FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1.

To ensure that the competing interests of all parties were properly considered, the Commission has carefully analyzed the Stipulation entered into by the Company and Staff, and all evidence of record including testimony given and the various exhibits entered by the parties. The Commission finds and concludes that the terms of the Stipulation are supported by the evidence of the record and is a fair and reasonable resolution that appropriately strikes the balances of interest of the parties. The Commission further finds that the evidence presented supports the finding that the resources will provide a reliable and economical supply of electric power when needed by Georgia retail customers and finds that certification is appropriate. Additionally, the Commission finds and concludes that the Stipulation adequately protects ratepayers from speculative load forecasts by safeguarding existing customers from premature and excessive investment as explained by PIA Staff witness Trokey, including: Ensuring downward pressure on rates in 2029, 2030, and 2031; providing sufficient time to take remedial actions to protect ratepayers if the expected executed contracts do not materialize in 2026; certifying resources on plant level; and, prohibiting Georgia Power from requesting cost increases until 6 months prior to the project's estimated date of completion. With these protections, as well as the other protections and reporting requirements already in place, the Commission finds that the additional recommendations of the Intervenors are unnecessary. Therefore, the Commission approves and adopts the Stipulation as detailed below.

2.

The Commission finds and concludes that the provisions shall have full force and effect as stated in the Stipulation.

3.

The Commission finds and concludes that Georgia Power's Application for the Certification of the Combined Cycle ("CC") Units: Bowen Units 7-8, Wansley Units 10-11, and McIntosh Unit 12 are approved as amended by the Stipulation.

4.

The Commission finds and concludes that Georgia Power's Application for the Certification of the Battery Energy Storage Systems ("BESS") facilities: South Hall, Bowen Phase I, Wansley, Yates Phase I, Yates Phase II, Bowen Phase II, Thomson, Hammond Phase II, and McIntosh, are approved as amended by the Stipulation.

5.

The Commission finds and concludes that Georgia Power's Application for the Certification paired solar and BESS facilities, Laurens County and Plant Mitchell, are approved as amended by the Stipulation.

6.

The Commission finds and concludes that Georgia Power's Application for the Certification of the Power Purchase Agreements for Mid-Georgia Cogen, Dahlberg Unit 4, Harris Unit 1, Sandersville, and Tenaska Heard, are approved as amended by the Stipulation.

7.

The Commission finds and concludes that Georgia Power's Application for the Certification of Supplemental Resources, MPC PPA, NEER Decatur PPA, NEER Dougherty County PPA, NEER Washington County PPA, NEER White Oak PPA, NEER White Pine PPA, and Wadley BESS, are approved as amended by the Stipulation. The Commission finds and concludes that the Supplemental Resources and corresponding changes to existing PPAs will provide an extraordinary benefit to Georgia Power retail customers and qualify for exceptions to the Commission's requirements for the procurement of resources through the RFP process, pursuant to Commission Rules 515-3-4-.04(3)(f)(3) and 515-3-4-.04(3)(f)(6).

The Commission finds and concludes that the company owned resources identified by Georgia Power Company through the 2029-2031 All-Source Capacity RFP and certified herein are hereby certified at the amounts listed in Table 1.3.4 of the Application for the Certification of Capacity from the 2029-2031 All-Source RFP, and that the PPAs identified by the Company through the 2029-31 All-Source Capacity RFP and certified herein are hereby certified at the amounts listed in Table 4.4 of the Application for the Certification of Capacity from the 2029-2031 All-Source RFP. The Commission finds and concludes that the Wadley BESS Supplemental Resource is hereby certified at the cost shown on page 15 of the Application for the Certification of Supplemental Resource for 2028-2031 Capacity.

ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED, that the Commission adopts the Stipulation as described herein. Georgia Power's Applications for a certification of public convenience and necessity for the following capacity resources are **GRANTED**: Bowen Units 7-8, Wansley Units 10-11, McIntosh Unit 12, South Hall BESS, Bowen Phase I BESS, Wansley BESS, Yates Phase I BESS, Yates Phase II BESS, Bowen Phase II BESS, Thomson BESS, Hammond Phase II BESS, McIntosh BESS, Laurens County Solar + BESS, Plant Mitchell Solar + BESS, Mid-Georgia Cogen PPA, Dahlberg Unit 4 PPA, Harris Unit 1 PPA, Sandersville PPA, Tenaska Heard PPA, MPC PPA, NEER Decatur PPA, NEER Dougherty County PPA, NEER Washington County PPA, NEER White Oak PPA, NEER White Pine PPA, and Wadley BESS.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company Owned Resources certified herein are certified at the amounts listed in Table 1.3.4 of the Application for the Certification of Capacity from the 2029-2031 All-Source RFP, and that PPAs certified herein are certified at the amounts listed in Table 4.4 of the Application for the Certification of Capacity from the 2029-2031 All-Source RFP. The Wadley BESS Supplemental Resource is certified at the cost shown on page 15 of the Application for the Certification of Supplemental Resource for 2028-2031 Capacity.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company shall file its next base rate case in a manner that will ensure the incremental revenue from large load customers has downward pressure of at least \$8.50 per month to the typical residential customer using an average of 1,000 kWh per month for the years 2029, 2030, and 2031. The incremental revenue forecast as shown in Attachment A of the Stipulation will be set as a minimum estimate for the years 2029, 2030, and 2031.

ORDERED FURTHER, that construction monitoring shall occur for all Company-Owned Projects ("COP") and will be implemented according to the process and procedures used for Plant Yates Units 8-10 (for the COP thermal projects) and the process and procedures used for the 765 MW BESS Resources approved in Docket No. 55478 (for the BESS/BESS + Solar projects). The Company shall determine its means and methods of managing these projects and it

may file its periodic monitoring reports on a portfolio basis (one for the COP thermal projects and one for BESS/BESS + Solar) as long as the monitoring reports also include project-level information similar to the reporting done for Plant Yates 8-10 and the 765 MW BESS Resources. Staff monitoring shall be conducted by project, by unit, including common and balance of plant, and information shall be provided at the level of detail in order for Staff to perform its due diligence. Nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit or constrain Staff's ability to select Staff's means and methods for monitoring these projects. Construction monitoring reports shall be filed for each portfolio from the date construction begins through the date of commercial operation. In the event any individual project is forecasted to exceed the Certified Amount, Georgia Power shall not file for a revision to the Certified Amount or cost estimate earlier than six months prior to the scheduled commercial operation date of the project. For purposes of evaluation of potential disallowances, each project will be examined individually.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company shall collect an additional sum of \$2.65/kW-year for the term of the power purchase agreements certified in this Order. Georgia Power will be allowed to continue to collect the additional sum on existing solar PPAs amended herein at the currently approved level, through the extended term of the PPAs as approved in this proceeding.

ORDERED FURTHER, that the Company and PIA Staff shall work collaboratively to investigate the potential benefits of load flexibility. Prior to the collaboration, the Company shall engage current and potential large load customers to solicit input on large load flexibility options, including contract terms and cost saving opportunities resulting from flexibility, and shall report its findings to Staff. The Company and Staff shall report back to the Commission within 120 days of this Order regarding the potential for an additional load flexibility program and whether additional steps should be taken to create another program offering, including recommendations for the timing for consideration and approval of such offering, if determined to be beneficial.

ORDERED FURTHER, that all findings, conclusions, and decisions contained within the preceding sections of this Order are hereby adopted as findings of fact, conclusions of law, and decisions of regulatory policy of this Commission.

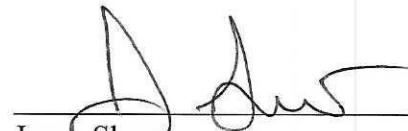
ORDERED FURTHER, that jurisdiction over this matter is expressly retained for the purpose of entering such further order or orders as this Commission may deem just and proper.

ORDERED FURTHER, that any motion for reconsideration, rehearing, or oral argument shall not stay the effectiveness of this Order unless expressly ordered by the Commission.

The above by action of the Commission in Administrative Session on the 19th of December, 2025.



Sallie Tanner
Executive Secretary



Jason Shaw
Chairman

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