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### **NEWS RELEASE**

## **Commissioners Approve 2025 IRP**

July 15, 2025 – (ATLANTA) The Georgia Public Service Commission on Tuesday unanimously approved an agreement with Georgia Power to produce at least 6,000 new megawatts of energy between 2029 and 2031. If Georgia Power shows the need, the PSC can allow an additional 2,500 MW of new energy for a total of 8,500 MW in that time period.

The agreement finalizes the 2025 Georgia Power Integrated Resource Plan, a long-range power production plan that is updated by the PSC every three years. Throughout the 2025 IRP hearings, Georgia Power and the PSC's Public Interest Advocacy Staff disagreed over the amount of new energy large load customers were expected to consume over the next several years – although both sides did agree it would be significant.

In the end, the Commissioners approved an agreement that sets new production with a 6,000 MW minimum and 8,500 MW maximum, to be based on proven need. Georgia Power will continue to file quarterly Large Load Economic Development Reports and both parties will continue to review and update the methodology for estimating data center load growth.

“As data center construction continues in Georgia, this IRP puts us in a safe and secure spot to meet that energy need,” said PSC Chairman Jason Shaw. “This long-term plan continues to strike a balance between reliability and affordability.”

Commissioner Fitz Johnson agreed: “This Integrated Resource Plan is a smart, forward-looking approach that protects ratepayers and strengthens our grid for the future,” he said.

Commissioner Tricia Pridemore added: “After seven months of testimony and evidence, this IRP sets Georgia up for abundant growth in energy generation, transmission and distribution, making Georgia the national leader in energy dominance.”

Commissioner Tim Echols said: “With unprecedented grid growth ahead for Georgia, this Integrated Resource Plan puts us on the right path to meet everyone’s needs. I wish it had more solar, more storage, more energy efficiency – but it strikes a good compromise in the spirit of collaboration.”

The approved Georgia Power IRP continues Georgia’s diverse energy portfolio with mix of nuclear, hydroelectric, natural gas, coal and renewable energy sources.

The approved IRP also budgeted \$161 million to demand-side management programs; these are energy efficiency programs to help reduce strain on the power grid. This \$161 million is \$70 million more than requested by some intervenors.

Several intervenors in the case signed onto the final agreement including Advanced Power Alliance, the Georgia Association of Manufacturers, the Georgia Solar Energy Association, Southern Renewable Energy Association, the United States Department of Defense and other federal Executive Agencies, and Walmart.

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