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GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DIVISION RE-ISSUES FINAL AIR PERMIT FOR PLANT WASHINGTON

POWER4Georgians and EPD work together to address points noted in remanded permit

(Atlanta, Ga. – November 21, 2011) – POWER4Georgians today announced that it has received the final air permit for the Plant Washington project from the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (EPD). EPD re-issued the air permit after it made changes that addressed issues identified by Administrative Law Judge Ronit Walker.

“We were pleased to work with EPD to address the particular issues identified by the judge as well as other concerns raised by petitioners to ensure that Plant Washington has the best permits in the country,” said Dean Alford, spokesman for POWER4Georgians. “We have committed to building one of the cleanest facilities of its kind in the world and the requirements of this air permit attest to that. Now that these issues have been addressed, we are anxious to move forward.”

When construction begins, the plant is expected to take approximately four years to build, create up to 1,600 professional construction and skilled trade jobs and generate over \$250 million in total labor wages and benefits. When complete, Plant Washington is expected to create between 120 and 130 new full-time jobs onsite paying over \$7 million in wages and benefits , as well as an additional 200 to 300 new secondary jobs in supporting businesses and industries.

About POWER4Georgians

*POWER4Georgians is a consortium of Georgia EMCs that have partnered to develop and implement a comprehensive energy strategy to meet the growing demand for affordable and reliable electricity for the members they serve. One of the key components of their strategy is development of new baseload power facilities such as Plant Washington and Plant Ben Hill.
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