

**BEFORE THE GEORGIA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
STATE OF GEORGIA**

*In Re:* )  
Morgan County-Wide Safety Plan ) Docket No. 43449  
)

**JOINT CONSENT AGREEMENT**

Come Now, the Facilities Protection Unit Staff (“Staff”) of the Georgia Public Service Commission (“Commission”), the City of Monroe and the City of Madison (“Madison”) (collectively, “Applicants”); and hereby agree to presentation of the following proposed disposition of the above-styled matter:

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

**1.**

The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to *inter alia*: O.C.G.A. §§ 46-2-20, 46-2-30, 46-2-53, 46-2-90, 46-2-91, 46-4-1, 46-4-31, 46-4-34, 46-4-35, 50-13-1 *et. seq.*; and Georgia Public Service Commission Rules 515-9-1-.01 *et. seq.*, 515-9-3-.01 *et. seq.* and 515-9-7-.01 *et. seq.*; all regarding the safe installation and operation of gas distribution systems within the State of Georgia.

**2.**

Commission Staff has safety jurisdiction over the facilities of municipal natural gas providers as delegated by the Commission pursuant to the legal citations contained *supra*.

**3.**

Applicants hereby waive any further conclusions of law with respect to the above-styled matter and agree that the Commission may enter an order based upon the agreements contained herein and the attached County-Wide Safety Plan (“CWSP”) agreed to by the Applicants (and attached hereto as Attachment “A-E”), without the necessity of receiving evidence in support thereof.

**AGREEMENT**

By signing below, Applicants and Staff hereby agree that the above-styled matters should be resolved by executing this Joint Consent Agreement as follows:

**1.**

This Joint Consent Agreement, if approved by the Commission, shall constitute a final resolution of the Morgan CWSP proceedings. Applicants agree that they will abide by the terms of this Joint Consent Agreement.

**2.**

The CWSP for Morgan County (see attached, Attachment "A") agreed to by the Applicants and Staff, shall be the CWSP for Morgan County until otherwise ordered by the Commission.

**3.**

Compliance with all parts of the CWSP for Morgan County (*id.*) shall begin immediately upon issuance of the Commission Order adopting this CWSP. All timelines and action items contained within the Morgan CWSP shall be incorporated by reference into the body of this Consent Agreement as if specifically written herein and the failure of the Applicants to meet all such timelines and/ or act on all such action items shall be a violation of this Consent Agreement.

**4.**

All changes to the CWSP for Morgan County (*id.*) shall be made in accordance with *inter alia*, Commission Rule 515-9-7-.01 *et seq.*

**5.**

This Joint Consent Agreement shall not become effective until and unless it is approved by the Commission. Applicants enter into this Joint Consent Agreement without admission of fault or liability.

**6.**

The undersigned authorized representatives of the City of Monroe and the City of Madison acknowledge by their respective signatures below that each has read this Joint Consent Agreement and understands its contents. The undersigned hereby further acknowledge that each Applicant has a right to a hearing in these matters and does freely, knowingly, and voluntarily waive such right by entering into this Joint Consent Agreement. The undersigned hereby consent on each Applicant's behalf to the resolution of the Morgan CWSP proceedings as provided for herein.

This \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2020:

Consented to:

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Michelle Thebert, Director, GPSC Facilities Protection  
Unit, on behalf of Staff

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Logan Propes, City Administrator and Authorized  
Representative of the City of Monroe

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David Nunn, City Manager and Authorized  
Representative of Madison, Georgia