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Commissioner Doug Everett Announces Approval of Funding for Wilkinson County Economic Development Project

Atlanta, October 26, 2004 – Commissioner Doug Everett announced today that the Georgia Public Service Commission (Commission) has approved the disbursement of more than \$1.4 million from the Universal Service Fund for the construction of a new natural gas pipeline in Wilkinson County. The project will build a five-mile long six-inch steel gas main in order to extend natural gas service to Carbo Ceramics, Inc. According to the application, Carbo Ceramics plans to build a new facility in Wilkinson County will create 48 new jobs.

Commissioner Everett said, “I am extremely pleased that this Commission has approved this application in support of the economic development of Wilkinson County. Projects like this can bring economic growth to many areas of our state that truly need it.”

The Legislature created the Universal Service Fund under the Natural Gas Competition and Deregulation Act in order to provide for the extension of natural gas service to underserved areas of the state and the promotion of economic growth.

Commissioner Everett is serving his first six-year term on the Commission having been elected in November 2002. He is serving as Commission Chairman this year.

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