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Gas South Honored as Industry Partner of the Year by Georgia Restaurant Association

Award recognizes Gas South's support of the foodservice industry in Georgia

(Atlanta – November 22, 2010) – Gas South, represented by Chris Coan, its general manager of business and government markets, was recently honored by the Georgia Restaurant Association (GRA) as the 2010 Industry Partner of the Year. The award recognizes an industry supplier who has contributed greatly to the advancement and prestige of the foodservice industry in Georgia.

“Being named Industry Partner of the Year is not only a tremendous honor for me and Gas South, but demonstrates the important role non-food industries can play in helping restaurant owners improve energy efficiency, control costs and ultimately increase profits,” said Coan. “GRA is a very forward-thinking organization that understands the value of community partnerships in building the restaurant industry.”

Gas South has been an active partner and sponsor of the GRA and provides natural gas service to hundreds of restaurants, food service providers and caterers throughout Georgia. The company's restaurant customers include many of the largest chains, franchisees and independent operators in the state. Gas South is a member of the GRA's Green Foodservice Alliance and Coan has served as chair of the Alliance's Energy and Technology Committee.

Coan joined Gas South in 2006 and has been instrumental in building many of the community and industry partnerships the company works to establish in the communities it serves. He is a graduate of the Giozueta School of Business at Emory University, and also earned science degrees from the State University of New York and Georgia Tech.

“Utility costs are obviously an important component of a business’s operating cost and in this economy restaurant owners are especially concerned about making their operations more energy efficient and sustainable,” said Kevin Greiner, CEO of Gas South. “Chris is very skilled at building partnerships, sharing best practices and developing practical solutions for business, and Gas South is proud of his work with the GRA.”

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About Gas South

Gas South is Georgia’s fastest growing natural gas provider, serving approximately 250,000 residential, business and governmental customers across the state. Based in Atlanta, Gas South is locally owned and operated, with customer service provided through Georgia-based call centers. Gas South is committed to providing great rates and outstanding service. For more information, visit www.gas-south.com.