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Marietta Power and Water & Gas South Enter a New Alliance Beginning March 1

Atlanta, GA (March 1, 2009) - Marietta Power and Water is pleased to announce that it has formed a strategic marketing alliance with Gas South. Gas South, a Georgia based and operated business, is one of the state's leading natural gas providers serving more than 220,000 residential, business and governmental customers. With this marketing relationship, Marietta Power and Water residential customers will be eligible to receive preferred natural gas rates, including a special discount of two cents per therm off all of Gas South's standard rates. Marietta Power and Water residents can sign up with Gas South or register their existing accounts by calling 1-866-563-8129 or by visiting www.gas-south.com/mariettopowerandwater. Special, customized rates will also be made available to mid-sized and large commercial customers in the Marietta Power and Water service area.

"Marietta Power and Water is constantly looking for ways to better serve our customers and provide more value for their energy dollar. We're excited to offer our customers another way to save money, and we're confident that Gas South will provide the same outstanding customer service they've come to expect", said General Manager, Bob Lewis.

"This marketing alliance supports our goal to be the natural gas choice of Georgia's most trusted community-based utility providers" said Kevin Greiner, President/CEO of Gas South. "We share many of the same business attributes as Marietta Power and Water. Most importantly, we share a strong commitment to outstanding service, great rates and community involvement. Marietta Power and Water has built a great reputation in serving this community for the past 100 years and we are excited to help meet the natural gas needs of their customers in a way that matches that reputation."

Marietta Power and Water is one of the largest municipally-owned utilities in Georgia, serving more than 41,000 residential and commercial customers and 18,000 water customers, in and around Marietta. Visit www.mariettopowerandwater.com for more information.

Gas South is a locally owned and operated natural gas company, serving over 220,000 residential, business, and governmental customers in the state of Georgia. Gas South strives to help its customers "Get Comfortable" every day, with clear prices, great rates and outstanding service. Visit www.gas-south.com for more information.

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