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ATTENTION COMMISSION SECRETARY AND HEAD LEGAL SECRETARY

Enclosed are an original and seven copies of Atlanta Power Company's reply to the Comments of Greene Tree Incorporated in this case together with a Certificate of Service.

Sincerely,

Israel Ray President

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BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF ATLANTA POWER COMPANY FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING INCREASES IN THE COMPANY'S RATES AND CHARGES FOR ELECTRIC SERVICE IN THE STATE OF IDAHO

CASE NO. ATL-E-08-2

REPLY TO COMMENTS OF GREENE TREE INCORPORATED

COMES NOW Atlanta Power Company Inc., ("Atlanta Power", "Applicant" or "Company") and hereby files the following reply to the Greene Tree Incorporated (Greene or Intervenor) comments filed in this case.

Intervenor has in its comments addressed the energy charges for full time residential and commercial customers. Greene proposes equalizing the energy charges for the two classes of customers. In its comments, Intervenor quoted the court "In *Grindstone Butte Mut Canal Co. v. Idaho Pub. Util. Comm'n*, Idaho 175, 627 P.2d 804 (1981) the court defined, in addition to cost of service, relevant considerations that might justify a difference in rate treatment as:

"the quantity of the utility used, the nature of the use, the time of use, the pattern of use, the differences in the conditions of service, the cost of service, the reasonable efficiency and economy of operation and the actual differences in the situation of the consumers for the furnishing of service." 102 Idaho at 180."

Atlanta Power maintains that at least two of these considerations are present. The nature of use for residential customers is for personal purposes and is a cost of living for them. Commercial customers on the other hand incur energy costs as a cost of doing business. The

quantity of the utility used is certainly present. Exhibit No. 13 attached titled "Atlanta Power Company, Calculation of Average Price Per KWh, Permanent Residential and Commercial, At Present Rates" demonstrates that the commercial class of customers excluding Greene Tree's Pinnacle Peaks Lodge use three times the average energy used by residential customers. See line 13, Column (H). The exhibit also shows the average cost per KWh for these customers is \$0.241 as compared to the residential class average cost of \$0.214 per KWh or 12.6% higher than residential. See lines 4 and 13 in Column (F). In comparison, the Pinnacle Peaks Lodge uses eleven (11) times more energy than the average residential customer (lines 22 and 26 Column (H)) at an average cost per KWh of \$0.192 (Column (F) line 26), or 10.2 % less than residential.

Intervenor, at page 5 of its comments, uses an example of Idaho Power Company residential and commercial rates in support of its argument that Atlanta Power Company's rates are discriminatory. Intervenors own example indicates that the commercial rates on the Idaho Power Company electric system are twenty-one and one-half percent (21.5%) greater than residential rates. As demonstrated on the attached exhibit, the average cost per KWh for intervenor is actually ten percent (10%) less than the average cost per KWh for residential customers. This may suggest that indeed, commercial rates should increase at a greater rate than residential rates.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Israel, Ray, President

Atlanta Power Company

ATLANTA PWER COMPANY CALCULATION OF AVERAGE PRICE PER KWh PERMANENT RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL AT CURRENT RATES

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|-----------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| (H) % of Res Use | 700 00% | 472.41% | 310.35% | 298.06% | 1107.13% | 1155.28% |
| (G) Avg use Per Bill | 20 Toc | ਜੇ | 1,201.19 | 1,153.62 | 4,285.08 | 4,471.42 |
| (F) AVERAGE PRICE/KWh | 0.233 | 0.348 0.18 0.218 | 0.368 0.180 0.241 | 0.368 0.180 0.244 | 0.288 0.180 0.193 | 0.288 0.180 0.192 |
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| (E) REVENUE | 20,250.00 | 8,496.00 15,027.48 23,523.48 | 6,768.00 6,851.70 13,619.70 | 6,768.00 6,449.22 13,217.22 | 1,728.00 8,175.78 9,903.78 | 1,728.00 8,578.26 10,306.26 |
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| (D) ANNUAL KWh | 86,930 9,830 | 24,391 83,486 107,877 | 18,391 38,065 56,456 | 18,391 35,829 54,220 | 6,000 45,421 51,421 | 6,000 47,657 53,657 |
| (C) CURRENT RATE | 81.00 | 144.00 | 144.00 | 144.00 | 144.00 | 144.00 |
| (B) CUSTOMER (BILLS | 250 \$ | 85 | 44 \$ | 47 \$ | 12 \$ | 12 \$ |
| (A) SCHEDULE | 1 Schedule 1 Permanent Residential 2 In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh | Schedule 2 Permanent Commercial In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh Total | Eliminate Pinnacle Peak Lodge 2006 Remainder of Bills In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh Total Without Pinnacle | Eliminate Pinnacle Peak Lodge 2007 Remainder of Bills In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh Total Without Pinnacle | Pinnacle Peaks Lodge 2006 In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh Total | Pinnacle Peaks Lodge 2007 In Base Rate Excess over 500 KWh Total |
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I HAVE THIS DAY OF OCTOBER, 2008, SERVED THE FOREGOING REPLY TO THE COMMENTS OF GREENE TREE INCORPORATED, IN CASE NO. ATL-E-08-2, BY HAND DELIVERY THEREOF TO THE FOLLOWING:

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