

515-9-3, and 515-9-6-.01; all regarding the safe installation and operation of gas distribution systems within the State of Georgia.

2.

In accordance with the aforementioned legal citations in Paragraph 1 above, the Facilities Protection Unit Staff of the Commission has the authority to inspect the facilities of Georgia's natural gas providers pursuant to the laws cited herein and to seek the imposition of penalties for probable violations.

3.

The Company is a natural gas operator in the State of Georgia with gas transmission and distribution systems in and around the State; all of which are subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.

4.

As a natural gas transmission and distribution system operator, Respondent is subject to the requirements of 49 U.S.C.S. § 60122, 49 C.F.R. Parts 191, 192, and 199.

5.

On Aug 17, 2018, AGL notified the Commission of a natural gas explosion that occurred inside a commercial business at 23 E. Dame Avenue (the Coffee Corner) in Homerville, GA. There were three people inside the business at the time of the explosion who were transported to a hospital in Gainesville, Florida with burns and other injuries.

6.

On or about March 27, 2019, in accordance with Commission Rule 515-9-3-.08, AGL was notified in writing of Notice of Probable Violations ("NOPV") incorporated within the context of Staff's Incident Report, DL19-004 (filed in this Docket No. 42166 on March 29, 2019), which alleged actions/inactions on part of Respondent in connection with the August 17, 2018 incident.

AGREEMENTS

By signing below, the Parties agree that all matters alleged in the NOPV outlined in Staff's written Investigation Report DL19-004 should be settled as follows:

1.

This Settlement Agreement, if approved by the Commission, will constitute a final resolution of this proceeding and any other proceeding that could have been brought against AGL in connection with the August 17, 2018 incident.

2.

AGL will make a voluntary contribution of \$275,000 to the Georgia Pipeline Emergency Responder Initiative (GPERI) within forty-five (45) days of a Commission order adopting this Settlement Agreement that will be paid in certified funds and will be made payable as determined