Wednesday, October 3rd

Forum Purpose: To establish a dialogue with and among stakeholders on the opportunities, challenges, and impacts associated with the use and forest and agricultural woody biomass in the production of energy for electricity, transportation fuels, and other renewable energy applications.

1:10 pm  Welcome and opening remarks
- Gary Black, Georgia Agribusiness Council; Georgia 25x’25 State Alliance
  (Audience introductions; anti-trust statement)

1:15 pm  (Tentative) Media event for 25x’25 Alliance

1:50 pm  25x’25 overview
- Read Smith, 25x’25 Steering Committee Co-Chair

2:10 pm  State government resources to support and promote the development of a renewable energy industry in Georgia
- Jill Stuckey, Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority

2:25 pm  Panel of State leaders: Q&A on Georgia’s government resources
- Jill Stuckey, Moderator, Georgia Environmental Facilities Authority
- Panelists from:
  Office of the Governor
  Georgia Department of Economic Development
  Georgia Department of Agriculture
  Georgia Forestry Commission
  Sponsor of Georgia Senate 25x’25 resolution
  Sponsor of Georgia House 25x’25 resolution

2:50 pm  Panel Discussion: Status of Georgia and Southern Region woody biomass resources
- Nathan McClure, Georgia Forestry Commission
- Larry Biles, Southern Forest Research Partnership
- Dr. John McKissick, University of Georgia
3:10 pm  Biomass conversion technologies overview  
          - Dr. K.C Das, University of Georgia

3:25 p.m. Panel Discussion: New woody biomass feedstock opportunities  
          - John Pait, Cellfor  
          - Nathan Ramsey, ArborGen

3:45 pm  Open/Facilitated discussion on next steps and needs for research and development regarding supply, sustainability, economic impact, and furthering renewable energy in Georgia.  
          - Ernie Shea and Dale Threadgill, Facilitators

5:15 pm  Summary of discussions, closing remarks and instructions for evening activities  
          - Read Smith, 25x’25 Steering Committee Co-Chair

5:30 pm  Networking Reception (Georgia-Pacific Building)

6:30 pm  Dinner (Ritz Carlton Hotel)
          Remarks  
          - Rutherford Seydel, Turner Foundation

Thursday October 4th
Tour of woody biomass sites, industries, etc. – include 25x’25 Steering Committee and selected stakeholders

7:30 am  Depart from hotel by bus
8:30 am  Timber harvest site between Atlanta and Athens
10:30am  Bioenergy R&D at University of Georgia and Georgia Tech (in Athens)
12:00pm  Lunch
1:30 pm  OSB Mill (Huber in Commerce)
3:00 pm  Wood to energy plant (Earth Resources in Carnesville)
5:30 pm  Arrive at hotel in Atlanta

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