

Day, IV Edward  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Day, IV Edward		(Month/Day/Year)	SOUTHERN CO [SO]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	08/13/2010	
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD.,			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
NW				
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
ATLANTA, GA 30308			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			President and CEO, MPC	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Southern Company Common Stock	4,390.6251	I	401K

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
Option Right to Buy	02/18/2006	02/18/2015	21,868	\$ 32.7 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock
Option Right to Buy	02/20/2007	02/20/2016	20,525	\$ 33.81 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock
Option Right to Buy	02/19/2008	02/19/2017	21,589	\$ 36.42 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock
Option Right to Buy	02/18/2009	02/18/2018	25,221	\$ 35.78 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock
Option Right to Buy	02/16/2010	02/16/2019	47,434	\$ 31.39 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock
Option Right To Buy	02/15/2011	02/15/2020	42,474	\$ 31.17 D Â
				Southern Company Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Day, IV Edward 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	Â	Â	Â President and CEO, MPC	Â

## Signatures

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Edward Day, VI 08/16/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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