

SOUTHERN CO  
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**PRICING TERM SHEET**

**(To Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated May 11, 2009)**

Issuer:	The Southern Company
Security:	Series 2009A 4.15% Senior Notes due May 15, 2014
Expected Ratings*:	A3/A-/A (Moody s/Standard & Poor s/Fitch)
Size:	\$350,000,000
Maturity:	May 15, 2014
Public Offering Price:	99.898%
Treasury Benchmark:	1.875% due April 30, 2014
US Treasury Yield:	2.048%
Spread to Treasury:	+212.5 bps
Re-offer Yield:	4.173%
Redemption Terms:	Make-whole call at T+35 bps
Coupon:	4.15%
Interest Payment Dates:	May 15 and November 15 of each year beginning November 15, 2009
Format:	SEC Registered
Transaction Date:	May 11, 2009
Expected Settlement Date:	May 19, 2009 (T+6)
Joint Book-Running Managers:	Citigroup Global Markets Inc.  Goldman, Sachs & Co.  UBS Securities LLC Cabrera Capital Markets, LLC
Co-Managers:	Loop Capital Markets, LLC
CUSIP:	842587CE5

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