SOUTHERN CO

Form 4

September 05, 2007

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH WILLIAM G JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

09/04/2007

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security

(Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	Derivative Security			Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	09/04/2007	A		219.1662		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	219.1662

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH WILLIAM G JR 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW X ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney in Fact for William G.
Smith

09/05/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Acquired pursuant to Southern's Deferred Compensation Plan, payable in stock only upon termination. There is no exercise or expiration date.

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