

SOUTHERN CO  
Form 3  
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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	
Â Wilson Anthony L		(Month/Day/Year)	SOUTHERN CO [SO]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD.,			(Check all applicable)	
NW			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Street)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
ATLANTA,Â GAÂ	30308		President, Mississippi Power	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
				<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	13,612.1905	I	By 401(k) Trustee
Southern Company Common Stock	6,573	D	Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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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	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option Right to Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	02/10/2015	02/10/2024	Southern Company Common Stock	61,018	\$ 41.28	D	Â
Option Right to Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	02/11/2014	02/11/2023	Southern Company Common Stock	43,783	\$ 44.06	D	Â
Option Right to Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	02/13/2013	02/13/2022	Southern Company Common Stock	35,646	\$ 44.42	D	Â
Option Right to Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	02/14/2012	02/14/2021	Southern Company Common Stock	18,127	\$ 37.97	D	Â
Option Right To Buy <sup>(1)</sup>	02/15/2011	02/15/2020	Southern Company Common Stock	16,934	\$ 31.17	D	Â
Phantom Stock Units	Â <sup>(2)</sup>	Â <sup>(2)</sup>	Southern Company Common Stock	72.9689	\$ 0	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wilson Anthony L 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	Â	Â	Â President, Mississippi Power	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Anthony L. Wilson 10/27/2015

    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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Represents options granted on the following dates: 02/10/2014; 02/11/2013; 02/13/2012; 02/14/2011; and 02/15/2010. Options vest

- (1) one-third per year on each anniversary of the date of grant. Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- (2) Includes phantom stock units acquired as if reinvested in the dividend reinvestment plan. There is no exercise or expiration date. Phantom stock units are payable in cash following termination of employment.

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