SOUTHERN CO Form 4 March 02, 2006

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHAPMAN THOMAS F

(First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. **BOULEVARD**

(Last)

(City)

(Street)

(State)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

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

03/01/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership

6. Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

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Estimated average

burden hours per

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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 Security or Exercise

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

any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

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

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Ins	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	03/01/2006		A		311.26		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	311.26	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CHAPMAN THOMAS F 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BOULEVARD X ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

By: Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney in fact 03/01/2006

**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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