Hood Warren A Jr Form 4 February 03, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction

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

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hood Warren A Jr

(First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

ATLANTA, GA 30308

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

Reported Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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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 (Instr. 3) Price of

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

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	02/02/2009	A		442.4454		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	442.4454

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Hood Warren A Jr								
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD	X							
ATLANTA, GA 30308								

Signatures

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Warren A. Hood, Jr. 02/03/2009

**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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