SMITH WILLIAM G JR

Form 4

November 02, 2010

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction 1(b).

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)

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SMITH WILLIAM G JR

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

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

11/01/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

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

ATLANTA, GA 30308

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

Code (Month/Day/Year)

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

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

or

Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

5. Amount of

Securities

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 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	11/01/2010	A		414.3463		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	414.3463

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

11/02/2010

**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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