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1. Name and	Address of Reporting	Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. R			5. Relationship o	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to				
SMITH W	-	Symbol		u Hener of	Trucing	Issuer	1 0				
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(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Wildle)			(Month/Day/Year)			X Director	109	% Owner			
30 IVAN A	ALLEN JR. BLVI	D. NW	01/03/2012			Officer (give title Other (specify					
			01100/2012				below) below)				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			al	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person 				
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AILANIF	A, GA 30308						Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed of	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned		
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date			3.	4. Securit			6. Ownership	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code Disposed of (D)			Beneficially (Form: Direct	Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
(Instr. 3)								(I) or maneet			
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						(A)	Reported				
						or	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or		

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	Derivative Security				Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	01/03/2012	А		395.4747		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	395.4747

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SMITH WILLIAM G JR 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	Х						
Signatures							

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

**Signature of Reporting Person

01/04/2012

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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