

Connally Stan W
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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|---|---------|---|---|---|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Connally Stan W | | (Month/Day/Year) | SOUTHERN CO [SO] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 07/01/2012 | |
| 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| (Street) | | (Check all applicable) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| ATLANTA,Â GAÂ 30308 | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | President & CEO, Gulf Power Co | |

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 | 4,742.8398 | I | By 401(k) Trust |

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 Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of | |

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| | | | | Shares | | (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|---|------------|------------|--|--------|----------|-------------------|---|
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/18/2006 | 02/18/2015 | Southern Company Common Stock | 5,353 | \$ 32.7 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/20/2007 | 02/20/2016 | Southern Company Common Stock | 5,096 | \$ 33.81 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/19/2008 | 02/19/2017 | Southern Company Common Stock | 5,437 | \$ 36.42 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/18/2009 | 02/18/2018 | Southern Company Common Stock | 8,521 | \$ 35.78 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/16/2010 | 02/16/2019 | Southern Company Common Stock | 14,392 | \$ 31.39 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right To Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/15/2011 | 02/15/2020 | Southern Company Common Stock | 3,262 | \$ 31.17 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/14/2012 | 02/14/2021 | Southern Company Common Stock | 16,100 | \$ 37.97 | D | Â |
| <u>Option Right to Buy</u> ⁽¹⁾ <u>(2)</u> | 02/13/2013 | 02/13/2022 | Southern Company Common Stock | 16,053 | \$ 44.42 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Connally Stan W 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD ATLANTA, GA 30308 | Â | Â | Â President & CEO, Gulf Power Co | Â |

Signatures

/s/ Patricia L. Roberts, Agent for Stan W.
Connally

07/02/2012

__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).
- (1) Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
 - (2) Options vest one third per year on anniversary date of grant.

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