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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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 \*

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

(Street)

A Hood Warren A Jr

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/07/2007

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

\_X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify 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

ATLANTA, GAÂ 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect

(I) (Instr. 5)

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

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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

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Expiration Date

Exercisable Date

Title

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security: Security Direct (D)

or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

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Deferred Stock Units  $\hat{A}$   $\stackrel{(1)}{=}$   $\hat{A}$   $\stackrel{(1)}{=}$   $\hat{A}$   $\stackrel{(1)}{=}$   $\hat{A}$  Southern Company Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hood Warren A Jr

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD Â X Â Â

ATLANTA, GAÂ 30308

## **Signatures**

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney in Fact for Warren A. Hood, Jr.

12/12/2007

\*\*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) 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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