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	FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549									
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(Print or Type Res	ponses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> AMOS DANIEL P			Symbol	er Name an		Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			SOUT	HERN CO	D [SO]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 270 PEACHTREE STREET			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2005			X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
ATLANTA, C	FA 30303						Person	whole than one R	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
	Transaction Date Ionth/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired			(Instr.

	Derivative Security				(A) or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3 and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	01/03/2005	А		47.57		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	47.57	\$ 3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
i o	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
AMOS DANIEL P 270 PEACHTREE STREET ATLANTA, GA 30303	Х							
Signatures								
By: Patricia L. Roberts, Attorne	ey	01/04/2	2005					
**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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