PURCELL J NEAL

Form 4 June 03, 2009

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* PURCELL J NEAL

(First)

(Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW

(State)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

06/01/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

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 (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

or

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

7. Nature of

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

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 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<br>Security |            |      | Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |          |     |                     |                    |  |                                  |
|----------------------------|------------------------|------------|------|--------------------------------------|----------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------------------|
|                            |                        |            | Code | V                                    | (A)      | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |
| Deferred<br>Stock<br>Units | \$ 0                   | 06/01/2009 | A    |                                      | 546.7167 |     | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(1)</u>         | Southern<br>Company<br>Common<br>Stock | 546.7167                         |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PURCELL J NEAL 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW X ATLANTA, GA 30308

## **Signatures**

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for J. Neal
Purcell
06/03/2009

\*\*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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