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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SOUTHERN CO [SO] Wilson Anthony L (Month/Day/Year) 10/19/2015 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., (Check all applicable) NW (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting President, Mississippi Power Person ATLANTA, GAÂ 30308 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) I Southern Company Common Stock 13,612.1905 By 401(k) Trustee Â Southern Company Common Stock 6,573 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option Right to Buy (1)	02/10/2015	02/10/2024	Southern Company Common Stock	61,018	\$ 41.28	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (1)	02/11/2014	02/11/2023	Southern Company Common Stock	43,783	\$ 44.06	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (1)	02/13/2013	02/13/2022	Southern Company Common Stock	35,646	\$ 44.42	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (1)	02/14/2012	02/14/2021	Southern Company Common Stock	18,127	\$ 37.97	D	Â
Option Right To Buy (1)	02/15/2011	02/15/2020	Southern Company Common Stock	16,934	\$ 31.17	D	Â
Phantom Stock Units	(2)	(2)	Southern Company Common Stock	72.9689	\$ 0	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Wilson Anthony L 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	Â	Â	President, Mississippi Power	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Anthony L. Wilson 10/27/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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Reporting Owners 2

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Represents options granted on the following dates: 02/10/2014; 02/11/2013; 02/13/2012; 02/14/2011; and 02/15/2010. Options vest one-third per year on each anniversary of the date of grant. Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satusfy tax withholding obligations.

stock units are payable in cash following termination of employment.

Includes phantom stock units acquired as if reinvested in the dividend reinvestment plan. There is no exercise or expiration date. Phantom

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