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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Section 16.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERN DORRIT J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10/02/2006

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Following Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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(Instr. 4)

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

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

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Derivative Security					Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	10/02/2006	A		250		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	250
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	10/02/2006	A		485.0664		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	485.0664

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BERN DORRIT J 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	X					

Signatures

Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney in Fact for Dorrit J.

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**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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