BOWERS WILLIAM P

Form 4

February 13, 2013

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b). (Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BOWERS WILLIAM P**

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

(First) (Middle) SOUTHERN CO [SO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

02/11/2013

Other (specify below) President & CEO, GPC

(Check all applicable)

(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

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership Owned (T) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s)

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

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration 7. Title and Amor Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative Underlying Secur Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (D) Date Exercisable Expiration Title (A) An Date Nu Sh Southern Option Company 02/11/2013(1)(2) 02/11/2023 Right to \$ 44.06 02/11/2013 A 235,604 Common Buy Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOWERS WILLIAM P 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW ATLANTA, GA 30308

President & CEO, GPC

Signatures

/s/ Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for William P.

Bowers

02/13/2013

**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) Options vest one third per year on anniversary date of grant.
- (2) Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

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