ST PE GERALD J Form 4

February 01, 2006

FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ST PE GERALD J

(Zip)

(First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. **BOULEVARD**

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Street)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

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

02/01/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

4. Securities

or Code V Amount (D) Price 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Reported

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Owned

Beneficially

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

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

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Security or Exercise any

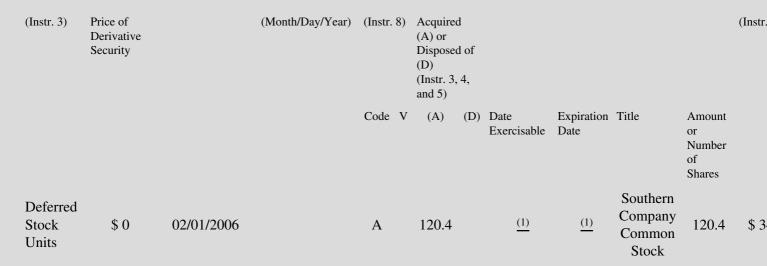
5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

8. Pri Deriv Secur

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ST PE GERALD J 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BOULEVARD X ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

By: Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney in fact

02/01/2006

**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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