

SOUTHERN CO  
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## PRICING TERM SHEET

(To Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated September 13, 2010)

Issuer:	The Southern Company	
Security:	Series 2010A 2.375% Senior Notes due September 15, 2015	
Expected Ratings:*	Moody's:	Baal (Stable Outlook)
	Standard & Poor's:	A- (Stable Outlook)
	Fitch:	A (Negative Outlook)
Size:	\$400,000,000	
Initial Public Offering Price:	99.981%	
Maturity Date:	September 15, 2015	
Treasury Benchmark:	1.25% due August 31, 2015	
US Treasury Yield:	1.529%	
Spread to Treasury:	+85 basis points	
Re-offer Yield:	2.379%	
Make-Whole Call:	T+15 basis points	
Coupon:	2.375%	
Interest Payment Dates:	March 15 and September 15 of each year beginning March 15, 2011	
Format:	SEC Registered	
Denominations:	\$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof	
CUSIP:	842587CG0	
Trade Date:	September 13, 2010	
Expected Settlement Date:	September 17, 2010 (T+4)	

Joint Book-Running Managers: Citigroup Global Markets Inc.  
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.  
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC

Co-Managers: Aladdin Capital LLC  
BB&T Capital Markets, a division of Scott &  
Stringfellow, LLC  
Loop Capital Markets LLC

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