SOUTHERN CO Form 4 January 04, 2016

### FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*\*
Hood Warren A Jr

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Is

(Middle)

SOUTHERN CO [SO]
3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

(Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2016

below) below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_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

(City) (State) (Zip)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

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

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	Derivative Security			(D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount o Number o Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	01/01/2016	A		1,335.7555		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	1,335.7

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hood Warren A Jr
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD X

ATLANTA, GA 30308

## **Signatures**

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Warren A. Hood, Jr. 01/04/2016

\*\*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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