SOUTHERN CO

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FANNING THOMAS A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHERN CO [SO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	**		
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW	(Month/Day/Year) 09/05/2014	Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, CEO & Chairman		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
ATLANTA, GA 30308	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquire			nired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned				
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie our Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 a	d of (D	)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014				. ,		135,240.2548	D		
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014		S	100,158	D	\$ 44.5	35,082.2548	D		
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014		M	460,923	A	\$ 37.97	496,005.2548	D		

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Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014	S	460,923	D	\$ 44.5	35,082.2548	D	
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014	M	233,802	A	\$ 31.17	268,884.2548	D	
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014	S	233,802	D	\$ 44.5	35,082.2548	D	
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014	M	254,302	A	\$ 31.39	289,384.2548	D	
Southern Company Common Stock	09/05/2014	S	254,302	D	\$ 44.5	35,082.2548	D	
Southern Company Common Stock						3,977.2679	I	By 401(K)

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		erivative Expiration Date courities (Month/Day/Year) cquired (A) or isposed of (D) nstr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Option Right to Buy (1) (2)	\$ 35.78	09/05/2014		M		100,158	02/18/2009	02/18/2018	Southern Company Common Stock	100,15

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Option Right to Buy (1) (2)	\$ 31.39	09/05/2014	M	254,302	02/16/2010	02/16/2019	Southern Company Common Stock	254,30
Option Right To Buy (1) (2)	\$ 31.17	09/05/2014	M	233,802	02/15/2011	02/15/2020	Southern Company Common Stock	233,80
Option Right to Buy (1) (2)	\$ 37.97	09/05/2014	M	460,923	02/14/2012	02/14/2021	Southern Company Common Stock	460,92

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FANNING THOMAS A 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD. NW ATLANTA, GA 30308

President, CEO & Chairman

## **Signatures**

/s/ Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas A. Fanning 09/08/2014

\*\*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 33% per year on the anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.

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