SOUTHERN CO Form 4 July 06, 2016

### FORM 4

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Greene Kimberly S,			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	SOUTHERN CO [SO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD			(Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2016	Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) EVP & COO, Southern Co.			
	(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			
ATLANTA, G		(7:)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	y 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. Securities oner Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (Ľ	<b>)</b> )	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	07/05/2016		M	141,818	A	\$ 41.28	177,686.3653	D	
Southern Company Common Stock	07/05/2016		S	141,818	D	\$ 54	35,868.3653 (1)	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative Securities ) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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 (2) (3) (4)	\$ 41.28	07/05/2016		M		141,818	02/10/2015	02/10/2024	Southern Company Common Stock	141,81

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Greene Kimberly S, 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD ATLANTA, GA 30308

EVP & COO, Southern Co.

### **Signatures**

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Kimberly S.

Greene

07/06/2016

\*\*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).
- Amount of securities beneficially owned includes 6,163 shares of Southern Company Common Stock and 29,705.3653 shares of Southern
- (1) Company Common Stock representing remaining underlying time vesting RSUs and related DEUs that have not yet vested. The time vesting RSUs and related DEUs are settled one for one in shares of Southern Company Common Stock.
- (2) Options vest 33% per year on the anniversary of the grant date.
- (3) Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- (4) Options were exercised and shares were sold pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan.

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