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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person **
Klein Dale E.

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

01/03/2017

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

X Director _____ 10% Owner ____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW

(Street)

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

Security

(Instr. 3)

(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
or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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	Security Security			(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	01/03/2017	A		711.5267		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	711.5267

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Klein Dale E.
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW X

ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Dale E. Klein 01/04/2017

**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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