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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SOUTHERN CO [SO] Lantrip Mark (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2014 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., (Check all applicable) NW (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting President & CEO, SCS Person ATLANTA, GAÂ 30308 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Southern Company Common Stock 3,998 D Southern Company Common Stock (1) D 771.4288 401K Southern Company Common Stock 4,733.5452 I Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

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3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying

4. 5. Conversion Ownership

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

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(Instr. 4)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Derivative Se (Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Ownership (Instr. 5)
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/20/2007	02/20/2016	Southern Company Common Stock	10,167	\$ 33.81	(Instr. 5)	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/19/2008	02/19/2017	Southern Company Common Stock	10,612	\$ 36.42	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/18/2009	02/18/2018	Southern Company Common Stock	14,411	\$ 35.78	D	Â
Option Right to Buy	02/16/2010	02/16/2019	Southern Company Common Stock	28,395	\$ 31.39	D	Â
Option Right To Buy (2) (3)	02/15/2011	02/15/2020	Southern Company Common Stock	32,204	\$ 31.17	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/14/2012	02/14/2021	Southern Company Common Stock	35,647	\$ 37.97	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/13/2013	02/13/2022	Southern Company Common Stock	35,884	\$ 44.42	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/11/2014	02/11/2023	Southern Company Common Stock	43,659	\$ 44.06	D	Â
Option Right to Buy (2) (3)	02/10/2015	02/10/2024	Southern Company Common Stock	90,909	\$ 41.28	D	Â
Phantom Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Southern Company Common Stock	10,890.3062	\$ 0	D	Â

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lantrip Mark

30 IVÂN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW President & CEO, SCS ATLANTA, GAÂ 30308

Signatures

/s/ Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark
Lantrip 03/03/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Shares are held in the Southern Investment Plan and dividends are automatically reinvested each quarter
- (2) Includes the right to have shares withheld upon exercise to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- (3) Options vest 33% per year on the anniversary of the grant date.
- (4) Includes phantom stock units acquired as if reinvested in the dividend reinvestment plan. There is no exercise or expiration date.

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