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(Print or Type	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> HUDSON LINDA P			Symbol	er Name an HERN CO		r Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First) (of Earliest T		(Ch	(Check all applicable)				
30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW			(Month/Day/Year) 04/03/2017				X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
ATLANTA	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting 						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	lo I Non l	Domination	Securities /	Person	of on Donoficio	lly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		d Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securi nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	ties (A) or of (D)	Acquired, Disposed 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		
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	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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	Derivative Security				Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units	\$ 0	04/03/2017	А		703.0936		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	703.0936

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HUDSON LINDA P 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW ATLANTA, GA 30308	Х							
Signatures								
/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fac Hudson	04	/03/2017						
**Signature of Reporting Perso			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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