Connally Stan W Form 4 February 14, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Connally Stan W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 02/12/2018

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title

below) President & CEO, Gulf Power Co

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	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)	(A) or		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 (1)	02/12/2018		M	Amount 1,859	(D)	\$ 0	5,183	D	
Southern Company Common Stock (2)	02/12/2018		F	533	D	\$ 44.68	4,650	D	
Southern Company Common Stock (3)	02/12/2018		A	15,151	A	\$0	19,801	D	

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Southern

Company O2/12/2018 F 3,680 D \$ 16,121 D

Stock (2)

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 coof Derivative 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 or Number of Shares
Performance Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/12/2018		M	1,778	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Southern Company Common Stock	1,778

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Connally Stan W 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD ATLANTA, GA 30308

President & CEO, Gulf Power Co

Signatures

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Stan W.
Connally
02/14/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) Shares acquired upon vesting of first 1/3 of performance restricted stock units granted on February 13, 2017. The Compensation and Management Succession Committee certified performance on February 12, 2018. Includes 81 accrued dividend equivalent units.
- (2) Shares withheld to satisfy required state and federal tax withholding requirements.
- Shares acquired upon vesting of performance share units under Company's Performance Share Program for the 2015-2017 award. The
- (3) Compensation and Management Succession Committee certified performance on February 12, 2018. Includes accrued dividend equivalent units.
- Represents performance restricted stock units granted on February 13, 2017. The Compensation and Management Succession Committee certified performance on February 12, 2018 and the first 1/3 vested. The remaining award will vest 1/3 in 2019 and 1/3 in 2020. Each
- performance restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of common stock. Additional units will be acquired with deemed dividends. Shares will be withheld upon vesting to satisfy tax requirements.

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