

Kuczynski Stephen E
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Kuczynski Stephen E

(Last) (First) (Middle)

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW

(Street)

ATLANTA, GA 30308

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SOUTHERN CO [SO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 07/11/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Pres. & CEO, Southern Nuclear

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Southern Company Common Stock | 07/11/2012 | | M | | 6,240 | A | 11 |
| Southern Company Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | 07/11/2012 | | F | | 1,964 | D | \$ 47.19 |
| | | | | | 4,276 | | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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) |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Southern Company Common Stock Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ | 07/11/2012 | | M | 6,240 | 07/01/2012 07/11/2012 | Southern Company Common Stock 6,240 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer |
| Kuczynski Stephen E 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD., NW ATLANTA, GA 30308 | | | Pres. & CEO, Southern Nuclear |

Signatures

/s/ Patricia L. Roberts, Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen E. Kuczynski
 07/12/2012
 **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) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of common stock. The reporting person had vested restricted stock units settled in shares of common stock.
- (2) Shares withheld by Registrant to satisfy minimum statutory withholding requirements on vesting of restricted stock units.
- (3) Vesting of Restricted Stock Units that were granted on July 11, 2011.

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