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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Repo Sykes Nancy E	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHERN CO [SO]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
30 IVAN ALLEN BLVD., NW		(Month/Day/Year) 12/05/2017	Director 10% Owner Selow)		
(Street)		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		
ATLANTA, GA 30308			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(61)	(73 °)				

(City)	(State) (Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative Secu	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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 A on (A) or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or Amount (D)	ed 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	12/05/2017		M	4,462 A		4,462	D	
Southern Company Common Stock (2)	12/05/2017		F	1,490 D	\$ 50.36	2,972	D	

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)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	5. Number ion f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Southern Co Restricted Stock	\$ 0 (1)	12/05/2017		M	4,267	(3)	(3)	Southern Company Common Stock	4 267	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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Units (3)

30 IVAN ALLEN BLVD., NW EVP & CHRO

ATLANTA, GA 30308

Signatures

Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Nancy E. Sykes

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

__Signature of Reporting Ferson

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).

12/07/2017

Deletionship

- (1) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of common stock.
- (2) Shares withheld to satisfy required state and federal tax withholding requirements.
- (3) RSU award was granted on December 5, 2016. On December 5, 2017, 4,267 RSUs and 195 accrued dividend equivalent units vested.

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