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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person **Clark Henry A III

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SOUTHERN CO [SO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

04/02/2018

__X__ Director ______ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD

(Street)

below) below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

ATLANTA, GA 30308

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or any Code Disposed of (D)

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Reported
or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise 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 | 04/02/2018 | A | | 783.6991 | | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Southern Company Common Stock | 783.6991 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| • 0 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Clark Henry A III 30 IVAN ALLEN JR. BLVD ATLANTA, GA 30308 | X | | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Laura O. Hewett, Attorney-in-Fact for Henry A. Clark III 04/03/2018

**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) 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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