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March 10, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 10, 2003  
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THE SOUTHERN COMPANY

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)  
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Delaware

1-3526

58-0690070

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(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission File  
Number)

(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

270 Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia

30303

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code

(404) 506-5000  
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N/A

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits listed below, is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Regulation FD. The information in this report and in such exhibits shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information in this report and in such exhibits shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of The Southern Company ("Southern") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On March 10, 2003, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Southern each furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission personal certifications pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted

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pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. Copies of the certifications are furnished as Exhibits 99.01 and 99.02 to this Current Report.

Exhibit 99.01 Certification of Chief Executive Officer of Southern, dated March 7, 2003, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

Exhibit 99.02 Certification of Chief Financial Officer of Southern, dated March 7, 2003, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

### SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 10, 2003

THE SOUTHERN COMPANY

By /s/Tommy Chisholm  
Tommy Chisholm  
Secretary