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The Southern Company

SOUTHERN INVESTMENT PLAN

The following information updates and supplements the Southern Investment Plan prospectus dated February 27, 2012.

Contact information for Plan Administrator, Transfer Agent and Registrar:

General Correspondence: Overnight Mail:
Computershare Computershare

P.O. Box 30170 211 Quality Circle, Suite 210 College Station, TX 77842-3170 College Station, TX 77845

Internet: Telephone - U.S.: Telephone - Outside U.S.:

www.computershare.com/investor 1-800-554-7626 1-201-680-6693

Hearing impaired: 1-800-231-5469

Optional Cash Investments by check:

New investors and registered stockholders should make checks payable to Computershare/The Southern Company.

The fee schedule relating to the Southern Investment Plan, effective April 10, 2014, is as follows:

COSTS TO PARTICIPANTS FEE

Investments

Dividend Reinvestment Purchase Fee Per Share	No charge
Transaction Fee for Dividend Reinvestment	No charge
New Account Enrollment Fee	\$10.00
Transaction Fee for Optional Cash Investment by Check	\$5.00*
Transaction Fee for Optional Cash Investment by ACH Debit	\$2.50*
Optional Cash Purchase Fee Per Share	\$0.05*

Returned Check and Rejected ACH Debit Fee \$30.00 per item

Sale of Shares

Batch Order	\$15.00*
Market Order	\$25.00
Day Limit Order	\$25.00*
Good-Till-Cancelled Limit Order	\$25.00

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Customer Service Representative Assisted Sale	\$15.00
Fee for Shares Sold Per Share	\$0.12 *

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Alternate Currency Disbursements Fees for Market, Day and Good-Till-Cancelled Limit orders only

US\$ or Foreign Currency Wire \$50.00 per Transaction Foreign Check \$15.00 per Transaction Direct Deposit-US\$ only \$10.00 per Transaction

Certificate Issuance No charge *

Replacement Documents

IRS FormNo chargeCheckNo chargeAccount Statements (last seven years)No chargeCheck copy (last seven years)No charge

See "Risk Factors" on page 4 of the Southern Investment Plan prospectus for certain risks to consider before participating in the Southern Investment Plan or before purchasing shares of Southern Company common stock.

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus supplement or the Southern Investment Plan prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus supplement is March 11, 2014.

^{*}Indicates change.