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## LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - All Filers Are Required to Complete This Page

1. Registrant Name <b>Balch &amp; Bingham LLP</b>			
2. Registrant Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported Address <b>1275 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.</b> <b>10th Floor</b> City <b>Washington</b> State/Zip (or Country) <b>DC 20004</b> <b>USA</b>			
3. Principal Place of Business (if different from line 2) City _____ State/Zip (or Country) _____			
4. Contact Name <b>Patrick J. McCormick III</b> Telephone <b>(202) 347-6000</b> E-mail (optional) <b>pmccormick@balch.com</b>			5. Senate ID # <b>5197-75</b>
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self <b>Southern Company</b>			6. House ID # <b>31107-005</b>

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2003 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  **OR** Year End (July 1-D

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report

10. Check if this is a Termination Report  >> Termination Date \_\_\_\_\_

11. No Lobbying

### INCOME OR EXPENSES - Complete Either Line 12 OR Line 13

12. Lobbying Firms	13. Organizations
<p><b>INCOME</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> &gt;&gt; \$ <u>\$200,000.00</u> Income (nearest \$20,000)</p> <p>Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000 of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).</p>	<p><b>EXPENSES</b> relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:</p> <p>Less than \$10,000 <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>\$10,000 or more <input type="checkbox"/> &gt;&gt; \$ _____ Expenses (nearest \$ _____)</p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description of method.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method A.</b> Reporting amounts using LDA definition</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method B.</b> Reporting amounts under section 6013 of the Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method C.</b> Reporting amounts under section 162 of the Internal Revenue Code</p>

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date 2/17/2004

Printed Name and Title Patrick J. McCormick III - Attorney 1

Registrant Name: Balch & Bingham LLP

Client Name: Southern Company

**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.** Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code UTI (one per page)

16. Specific Lobbying issues

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None  
**Department of Energy**  
**Federal Energy Regulatory Commission**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Senate**

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area

Name	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
<b>Dardis, David O.</b>	
<b>Eames, Frederick</b>	
<b>McCormick III, Patrick J.</b>	
<b>Rokach, Joshua</b>	

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above  Check if None

Signature Patrick J. McCormick III Date 2/17/2004

Printed Name and Title Patrick J. McCormick III - Attorney I

Registrant Name: **Balch & Bingham LLP**Client Name: **Southern Company**

Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	<b>Electric Restructuring Issues</b> H.R. 6, all provisions relating to electric restructuring H.R.1370, all provisions relating to electric restructuring H.R. 1531, all provisions relating to electric restructuring H.R. 1644, all provisions relating to electric restructuring S. 14, all provisions relating to electric restructuring S. 475, all provisions relating to electric restructuring S. 716, all provisions relating to electric restructuring S. 944, all provisions relating to electric restructuring S. 954, all provisions relating to electric restructuring

