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**LOBBYING REPORT**

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

1. Registrant name				
Organization	ML Strategies, LLC			
2. Address <input type="checkbox"/> Check if different than previously reported				
	701 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW		Suite #900	
City	Washington	State	DC	Cour
		Zip Code	20004	
3. Principal place of business (if different than line 2)				
City		State	Zip Code	Cour
City	State/Zip or Country			
4a. Contact Name		b. Telephone number	c. E-mail	5. Senate ID #
Prefix	Full Name			
Mrs.	Karen Y. Knutson	202.434.7387	kknutson@mlstrategies.com	25
7. Client Name <input type="checkbox"/> Self				6. House ID #
Southern Company				33

**TYPE OF REPORT** 8. Year 2004 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  OR Year End (July 1-Dec 31)

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 Lobby **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"/> ⇒ \$ <u>60,000</u></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"/> ⇒ \$ <u>                    </u></p> <p><b>14. REPORTING METHOD.</b> Check box to indicate accounting method. See instructions for description.</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 6115 Internal Revenue Code</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <b>Method C.</b> Reporting amounts under section 1631 Internal Revenue Code</p>

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Registrant Name ML Strategies, LLC Client Name Southern Company

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

15. General issue area code ENV - Environmental/Superfund (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues

Issues related to the environmental and utilities industries.

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted  Check if None

U.S. Senate  
U.S. House of Representatives

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

First Name	Name Last Name	Suffix	Covered Official Position (if applicable)
David	Leiter		
Karen	Knutson		
Mark	Buse		
Neal	Martin		
Patrick	Mara		

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

Printed Name and Title Karen Y. Knutson, Vice President of Government Relations 2-1

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

16. Specific lobbying issues

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