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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>David Dardis</b>	Telephone <b>(202) 347-6000</b>	E-mail (optional)	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 2002 Midyear (January 1-June 30)  **OR** Year End (July 1-De

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"/> &gt;&gt; \$ <u>\$180,000.00</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</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 2/14/2005

Printed Name and Title David Dardis - Attorney P

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**  
**Executive Office of the President**  
**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</b>	
<b>Eames, Fred</b>	
<b>McCormick III, Patrick</b>	
<b>Rokach, Joshua</b>	

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



Signature  Date 2/14/2005

Printed Name and Title David Dardis - Attorney P:

Registrant Name: Balch & Bingham LLP

Client Name: Southern Company

Item	Description	Data
16	Lobbying Issues	<p> <b>Electric Restructuring Issues</b>  <b>Critical Infrastructure Issues</b>  <b>Terrorism Insurance Issues</b>  <b>Clean Air Act Compliance Issues</b>  <b>H.R. 4, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues and en</b>  <b>conference proceedings.</b>  <b>H.R. 2814, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues</b>  <b>H.R. 2983, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues</b>  <b>H.R. 3406, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues</b>  <b>S. 517, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues</b>  <b>S. 1766, all provisions related to electric industry restructuring issues</b>  <b>S. 1951, all provisions relating to CFTC regulation of electricity markets</b>  <b>S. 2724, all provisions relating to CFTC regulation of electricity markets</b>  <b>H.R. 3210, all provisions relating to terrorism insurance issues</b>  <b>S. 1748, all provisions relating to terrorism insurance issues</b> </p>

