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January 9, 2001

Ms. Blanca Bayo, Director Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee FL 32399-0870

Dear Ms. Bayo:

RE: Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification

The Southern Company – Exhibit F to the Form U-1, File No. 70-9727

as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission

Enclosed for filing in the matter referred to above is the Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification by Gulf Power Company.

If you or your staff have any questions regarding this filing, please contact me.

Please mark the enclosed extra copy of this letter with the date and time the material was accepted in your office for filing and return same to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Susan D. Ritenour

Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

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Beggs and Lane J. A. Stone, Esq.

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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IN RE: The Southern Company, Southern Energy Inc., and Southern Energy Resources, Inc., filing of Exhibit F to File No. 70-9727 with the SEC

Docket No.: Undocketed Filed: January 11, 2001

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The Southern Company, Southern Energy Inc., and Southern Energy Resources, Inc., the parent and associate companies respectively of Gulf Power Company, by and through their undersigned attorney and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby gives notice that they intend to request confidential classification for Exhibit F to File No. 70-9727, hereafter the Exhibit, submitted to the Florida Public Service Commission Staff pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 53(a)(4), C.F.R. §250.53(a)(4). A copy of the Exhibit is attached hereto as exhibit "A". Rule 53 requires that every registered holding company submit certain specified categories of filings to each state commission in which the affiliates of the registered holding company operate. Gulf Power is an affiliate of the Southern Company, a registered holding company.

The Exhibit contains proprietary and commercially sensitive information regarding the Southern Company, Southern Energy Inc., and Southern Energy Resources, Inc., ("Companies") and certain of their unregulated, non-utility, businesses and investments which would cause irreparable harm to the Companies if disclosed to the general public. A formal request for confidential classification will be filed within the time period specified in Rule 25-22.006(3)(a), Florida Administrative Code, if the Staff determines that the information will be retained by the Commission and not returned to the Companies within the specified time period. In the event the

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Staff determines that it will retain this document, the Companies request to be notified, through the undersigned counsel, prior to the expiration of the period specified in Rule 25-22.006(3)(a). This Exhibit is the subject of a claim of confidentiality under the Freedom of Information Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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RE: Acknowledgment of Receipt of Confidential Filing	
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This will acknowledge receipt of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed in Docket	No.
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