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Ms. Blanca S. 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 and Southern Energy Resources, Inc., Certificate of

Notification - File Nos. 70-7932, 70-8733, 70-8725, and 70-8823

Enclosed for filing in the matter referred to above is the Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification by Gulf Power Company. This request covers information for the period ending September 30, 2000.

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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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: The Southern Company and Southern

Energy Resources, Inc., Certificate of

Notification File Nos. 70-7932, 70-8733, 70-

8725 and 70-8823 for the quarter ending

September 30, 2000

Docket No.: Undocketed Filed: January 11, 2001

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The Southern Company 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 the Certificate of Notification in File Nos. 70-7932, 70-8733, 70-8725 and 70-8823 for the quarter ending September 30, 2000, hereafter the Certificate, 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 Certificate 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 Certificate contains proprietary and commercially sensitive information regarding the Southern Company 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 DOCUMENT NUMBER-DATE

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the Companies within the specified time period. In the event the 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 Certificate is the subject of a claim of confidentiality under the Freedom of Information Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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Public Service Commission

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

DATE: 1/11/01
TO: In RITENOIR / GPC
FROM:, Division of Records and Reporting
RE: Acknowledgment of Receipt of Confidential Filing
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This will acknowledge receipt of a CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENT filed in Docket No.
or (if filed in an undocketed matter) concerning
BOUTHER CO. Es INFRANCESONECES - FINANOS, 70-7932 70-2732, and
FOURTH CO. S. LNEWY RESOLUTES - FILMOS 70-7932 70-2733, and filed on behalf of SPC 70-8725, 70-8823. The
document will be maintained in locked storage.
Any questions regarding this matter should be directed to Kay Flynn at (850) 413-6744.
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