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August 13, 1999

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

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Dear Ms. Bayo:

RE: Gulf Power Company – Notification of Foreign Utility Company Status filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Behalf of an Associate Company – Form U-57 (File No. 73-00049, Shandong International Power Development Company Limited)

Southern Energy, Inc., a subsidiary of The Southern Company, Inc., a registered holding company under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, 15 U.S.C. §§79a et seq. (the "Act"), has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") a Notification of Foreign Utility Company Status pursuant to Section 33(a) of the Act. Gulf Power Company is an "associate company" of the foreign utility company identified in such filing. As required by the SEC's rules, we are herewith providing you with a copy of the Notification filed on such company's behalf.

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
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Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

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Enclosure

cc: Beggs and Lane
J. A. Stone, Esq.
Florida Public Service Commission
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FORM U-57

NOTIFICATION OF FOREIGN UTILITY COMPANY STATUS

Filed under section 33(a) of the
Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended

(Name and address of foreign utility company)

Shandong International Power Development Company Limited
14 Jingsan Road
Jinan, Shandong Province
People's Republic of China

(Name and address of filing company)

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1. Name of the entity(ies) on whose behalf foreign utility company status is claimed, its (their) business address(es), and a description of the facilities used for the generation, transmission and distribution of electric energy for sale or for the distribution at retail of natural or manufactured gas. Identity of each person that holds five percent (5%) or more of any class of voting securities of the foreign utility company(ies) and description of the amount and nature of the interest.

Southern Energy, Inc., a Delaware corporation (“Southern Energy”)¹, is filing this Notification of Foreign Utility Company Status pursuant to Section 33(a) of the Act and Rule 57, 17 C. F. R. § 250.57, thereunder on behalf of Shandong International Power Development Company (hereinafter “Foreign Utility”), with its principal offices at 14 Jingsan Road, Jinan, Shandong Province, People’s Republic of China.

The Foreign Utility owns thirteen coal-fired electric generating units in the Shandong Province of the Republic of China and generates power for sale within the regional power supply network. The following persons are known to Southern to hold 5% or more of the voting securities in the Foreign Utility:

Southern Energy -- 9.9% of ordinary share capital.

Shandong Electric Power (Group Corporation), a provincial power group company approved by the State Economic and Trade Commission, wholly-owned by the State Power Commission of the Peoples Republic of China -- 56.95% of ordinary share capital.

Shandong International Trust and Investment Corporation – 15% of ordinary share capital.

2. Name of any domestic associate public-utility company and, if applicable, its holding company, and a description of the relationship between the foreign utility company and such company, and the purchase price paid by any such domestic associate public-utility company for its interest in the foreign utility company.

The following domestic public-utility companies, each of which is a direct or indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Southern, would be “associate companies” of the Foreign Utility if the transaction described herein were consummated:

Alabama Power Company
Georgia Power Company
Gulf Power Company
Mississippi Power Company
Mobile Energy Services Company, L.L.C.
Mobile Energy Services Holdings, Inc.
Savannah Electric and Power Company
Southern Electric Generating Company

¹ Southern Energy is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Southern Company, a registered holding company.

None of the foregoing domestic public utility companies has made an investment in or has any contractual relationship with the Foreign Utility, and no such investment or contractual relationship is contemplated.


EXHIBIT A

Inapplicable

SIGNATURE

The undersigned company has duly caused this statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized agent.

Southern Energy, Inc.

By: 
Samuel H. Dabbs, Jr.
Assistant Secretary

Date: July 19, 1999