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Dear Ms. Bayo:

RE: Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification
The Southern Company and Southern Electric International, Inc.
Certificate of Notification - File Nos. 70-8233

Enclosed for filing in the matter referred to above is a 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.

Very truly yours,

Russell A. Badders

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Enclosure

cc: Susan D. Cranmer
Gulf Power Company

This Notice of Intent was filed with Confidential
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: The Southern Company
and Southern Communications
Services, Inc.
Certificate of Notification-
File No. 70-8233 _____/

Docket No.: Undocketed
Date: June 21, 1996

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

Gulf Power Company on behalf of the Southern Company and Southern Communications Services, Inc., by and through its undersigned attorney and pursuant to Rule 25-22.006, Florida Administrative Code, hereby gives notice that it intends to request confidential classification for certain information, 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 Communications Services, Inc. and certain of its unregulated, non-utility, businesses and investments which would cause irreparable harm to these entities 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

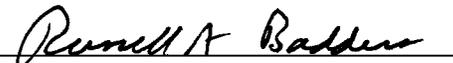
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Companies. This Certificate is the subject of a claim of confidentiality under the Freedom of Information Act.

Respectfully submitted,

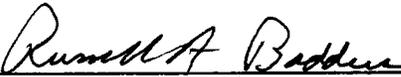


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing without exhibit "A" was furnished by U.S. Mail on the 21st day of June, 1996, on the following:

Cindy Miller, Esq.
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