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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: The Southern Company and Southern Communication Services, Inc., Certificate of Notification File No. 70-8173 Docket No.: Undocketed $960835 \cdot E_{\underline{I}}$ Filed: July 15, 1996

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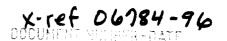
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EXHIBIT "A" REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The information provided herein should be maintained as proprietary confidential business information pursuant to Section 366.093 and Rule 25-22.006, F.A.C.

EXHIBIT "A"

Provided to the Division of Records and Reporting under separate cover as confidential information



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Wayne Boston Assistant Comptroller and Assistant Secretary

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT REQUESTED

March 29, 1996

Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, DC 20549

Re: The Southern Company and Southern Communications Services, Inc. Certificate of Notification - File No. 70-8233 Request for Confidential Treatment

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 104 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, The Southern Company (SOUTHERN), a registered holding company, and Southern Communications Services, Inc. (SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS), hereby request confidential treatment of the attached certificate of notification for the quarter ended December 31, 1995. This certificate contains information which is proprietary and competitively sensitive. The public disclosure thereof would materially harm SOUTHERN and SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS.

As permitted by Rule 101(c)(1) of the General Rules and Regulations for Electronic Filings, 17 CFR 232.101(c)(1) the aforementioned confidential information is filed herewith in paper format only.

SOUTHERN hereby requests a hearing before any part thereof is made public to third parties requesting its disclosure.

Yours very truly,

Vayne Boston

Enclosures

cc: Freedom of Information Act Officer (w/enc.) Robert Wason, Chief Financial Analyst (w/enc.)

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CERTIFICATE OF NOTIFICATION

filed by

THE SOUTHERN COMPANY SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.

Pursuant to order of the Securities and Exchange Commission dated December 30, 1994, in the matter of File No. 70-8233.

Southern Communications Services, Inc. (Southern Communications), pursuant to Rule 24, hereby provides the following information as required by the abovementioned order:

Requested Response to IV.1:

a. A copy of Southern Communications' balance sheet, income statement and statement of cash flow.

SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1995 (Unaudited)

	ASSETS	A	B
Current Assets:			
/ Cash		\$ 87 ,781	
2 Accounts Receivable			
3 Affiliated		2,073,018	
4 Other		557,452	
-5 Prepayments		307,621	
6 Materials & Supplies		4,628,256	
)Total Current Assets			7,654,128
Property & Equipment, Net			
8 System Infrastructure		90,993,145	
90ffice Furniture & Fixtures		1,272,771	
^{//} Construction Work in Progress		32,767,880	
1/ Frequencies		3,140,742	
12 Organization Costs		209,614	
3 Total Property & Equipment, Net			1 28,384 ,152
Deferred Taxes & Other Assets			1,649,354
15 TOTAL ASSETS			<u>\$ 137.687.634</u>

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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES

LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities: Accounts Payable Affiliated Other Other	\$	A 11,859,029 16,369,426 <u>3,800,783</u>	B
		0,000,700	
9 Total Current Liabilities			32,029,238
S Total Deferred Taxes & Other Liabilities			5,960,065
CAPITALIZATION			
6 Common Stock		500	
Additional Paid-in Capital		107,144,319	
8 Retained Earnings		(7,696,541))
⁶ Capitalized Lease		250,053	
0 Total Capitalization		-	99,698,331
II TOTAL CAPITALIZATION & LIABILITIES		5	<u>\$ 137.687.634</u>

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SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS INCOME STATEMENT YEAR-TO-DATE, DECEMBER 1995 (Unaudited)

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REVENUES	A	B
) Affiliated $_{\Sigma}$ Non-Affiliated $_{\widetilde{\mathcal{F}}}$ Interest Income	\$ 1,298,540 789,437 20,272	
9 Total Revenues		2,108,249
EXPENSES		
 Cost of Goods Sold Salaries Office Rents Depreciation & Amortization Travel Legal Billing Services Affiliate Companies Advertising Other 	1,797,447 2,721,588 734,591 521,648 540,003 1,777,788 524,701 2,845,338 647,349 <u>2,515,657</u>	
15 Total Expenses		_14,626,110
il NET INCOME BEFORE TAXES		(12,517,861)
\mathcal{O} BENEFIT FOR INCOME TAXES		4,821,320
18 NET INCOME AFTER INCOME TAXES		(<u>\$7.696.541</u>)

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SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS TWELVE MONTHS ENDING DECEMBER 1995 (Unaudited)

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CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: Net Loss	<u>\$(7,696,541)</u>
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:	
2 Depreciation/Amortization	521,648
Changes in operating assets and liabilities: 3 Accounts Receivable 9 Deferred Income Taxes, Net S Prepaids and Other Current & Deferred Assets C Accounts Payable and Other Accrued 7 Liabilities	(2,630,470) 4,161,564 (4,890,274) <u>(88,056,528)</u>
Sector Se	(_90,894,060_)
9 Net Cash Used in Operating Activities	<u>(98,590,601)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: 10 Project & Other Capital Investments	<u>(5,896,615)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: 11 Additional Capital Contributions 12 Capital Lease 13 Total Financing	103,074,444
(Y INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH & TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS	(1,162,719)
∫S CASH & TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS AT 1/1/95	1,250,500
16 CASH & TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS AT 12/31/95	<u>\$ 87.781</u>

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b. A schedule of reported revenues and expenses. Revenues will be identified by source, i.e., affiliated and non-affiliated. Expenses will be classified as relating specifically to either affiliated or non-affiliated customers, or common costs. Expenses believed to be associated with a feature, service or facility which is unique to a specific class of customers will be classified as relating specifically to that class of customers.

Affiliated Devenues	R	ß
Affiliated Revenues i Equipment Sales, at Cost j Telecommunications Services 3 Total Revenues, Affiliated Companies	\$ 1,113,540 <u>185,000</u>	1,298,540
Non-Affiliated Revenues Y Equipment Sales S Telecommunications Services C Total Revenues, Non-Affiliated	783,662 <u>5,775</u>	
Companies		789,437
		20,272
		2.108.249
う Total Expenses		14,626,110 **
10 Net Income Before Income Taxes	(_\$	12.517.861

** The Southern Communications' telecommunications system was still under construction and not fully operational at December 31, 1995. In view of this, and the immateriality and nature of company revenues for 1995 (primarily subscriber unit equipment sales in preparation for 1996 implementation), expenses were not classified between affiliated and non-affiliated customers. Such a classification is expected to be available for the period ending June 30, 1996, subsequent to the full implementation of the system.

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Requested Response to IV.3:

a.	A statement of revenues, distinguishing and setting forth non-associate	e
	revenues and revenues derived from each associate company.	

	A	B
Affiliated Revenues 1 Equipment Sales, at Cost 2 Alabama Power 3 Georgia Power 4 Gulf Power 5 Mississippi Power 6 Total Equipment Sales	\$ 426,202 372,938 242,536	
 Mississippi Power Total Equipment Sales 	 71,864	1,113,540
7 Telecommunications Services Gulf Power		_185,000
g Total Affiliated Revenues		1,298,540
Non-Affiliated Revenues 9 Equipment Sales 10 Telecommunications Services 11 Total Non-Affiliated Revenues	783,662 5.775	789,437
12 Interest Income		20,272
13 Total Revenues		<u>\$ 2.108.249</u>

b. The price charged to associates for each type of service rendered to associates.

¹⁴ Prices charged to associate companies for equipment sales were at actual 15 manufacturer's invoice cost. Prices charged for dispatch and other services 16 were at market, but substantially below the actual costs incurred by Southern () Communications to provide such services.

c. A statement as to whether the prices charged to associates were based upon market or cost.

18 N/A, See (b) above.

d. An explanation of how the market or cost pricing utilized was derived.

19 N/A, See (b) above.

Requested Response to IV.4:

- a. The actual calculation used to calculate costs.
- N/A, See IV.1 (b) above.
- b. An explanation of how costs were allocated.
- 2 N/A, See IV.1 (b) above.
- c. A description of the rationale and methodology employed in determining allocations of cost.
- 3 N/A, See IV.1 (b) above.
- d. A categorical (associate vs. non-associate) analysis of corporate costs (1) depreciation, (2) outside services, (3) labor costs, (4) administrative and general expenses, (5) cost of capital, (6) costs of goods and materials, and (7) other costs, including an analysis of direct costs and common costs; and

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- Ŋ/A, See Ⅳ.1 (b) above.
- e. An analysis of cost versus market pricing, comparing market pricing for associates to system-wide costs for associates and showing the basis for allocations to the associates. The foregoing information may be included in the report furnished pursuant to 1(b) above.
- \mathcal{S} N/A, See IV.1 (b) above.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the undersigned company has duly caused this certificate to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

THE SOUTHERN COMPANY

BY: Tommy Chisholm

Secretary

SOUTHERN COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, INC.

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Tommy Chisholm Secretary

Dated: March 29, 1996

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