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September 10, 1996

Ms. Blanca S. 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: Notice of Intent to Request Confidential Classification The Southern Company and Southern Development and Investment Group, Inc. Certificate of Notification - File Nos. 70-7932 and 70-8421 for the period ending June 30, 1996

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,

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Enclosure

This Notice of Inent was filed with Confidential Document No. $\underline{\ell \ } \underline{\ell \$

cc: Beggs and Lane Russell A. Badders, E⊾ຸ

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: The Southern Company and Southern Electric International, Inc. Certificate of Notification-File Nos. 70-7932 and 70-8421 for the period ending June 30, 1996

Docket No.: Undocketed. 960835-EL Date: September 9, 1996

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The Southern Company and Southern Electric International, Inc. (the Companies), an associate company of Gulf Power Company, 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 the Certificate of Notification, 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 Electric International, Inc. and certain of its unregulated, nonutility, 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 at such time the

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Staff determines that the information will be retained by the Commission and not returned to the 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 Met day of <u>September</u>, 1996, on the following:

Cindy Miller, Esq. Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

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