

October 7, 1998

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 Form U-9C-3 under Rule 104 with the Securities and

Exchange Commission (SEC) for the period ending June 30, 1998

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,

<sup>'</sup>Susan D. Cranmer

Assistant Secretary and Assistant Treasurer

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Beggs and Lane

Russell A. Badders, Esquire

This Notice of Intent was filed with Confidential Document No. <u>11067-98</u>. The document has been placed in the confidential files pending receipt of a request for confidential treatment.

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## BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

IN RE: The Southern Company

Form U-9C-3 under Rule 104

with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for the

period ending June 30, 1998

Docket No.:

Undocketed

Date:

October 7, 1998

NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

The Southern Company and 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 Form U-9C-3 for the period ending June 30, 1998,

submitted to the Florida Public Service Commission Staff pursuant to Securities and Exchange

Commission Rule 104. A copy of Form U-9C-3 for the period ending June 30, 1998, is attached

hereto as exhibit "A". Rule 104 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 Company is an affiliate of the Southern Company, a

registered holding company.

Form U-9C-3 for the period ending June 30, 1998, contains proprietary and commercially

sensitive information regarding the Southern Company and certain of its unregulated, non-utility,

businesses and investments which would cause irreparable harm to the Southern Company 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

Staff determines that the information will be retained by the Commission and not returned to the

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Southern Company. Form U-9C-3 for the period ending June30, 1998, is the subject of a claim of confidentiality under the Freedom of Information Act.

Respectfully submitted,

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