

GULF POWER CO
 Form 8-K
 April 27, 2016

UNITED STATES
 SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D. C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) April 27, 2016

| Commission Registrant, State of Incorporation, File Number Address and Telephone Number | I.R.S. Employer Identification No. |
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| 1-3526 | The Southern Company (A Delaware Corporation) 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (404) 506-5000 | 58-0690070 |
| 1-3164 | Alabama Power Company (An Alabama Corporation) 600 North 18 th Street Birmingham, Alabama 35203 (205) 257-1000 | 63-0004250 |
| 1-6468 | Georgia Power Company (A Georgia Corporation) 241 Ralph McGill Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (404) 506-6526 | 58-0257110 |
| 001-31737 | Gulf Power Company (A Florida Corporation) One Energy Place Pensacola, Florida 32520 (850) 444-6111 | 59-0276810 |
| 001-11229 | Mississippi Power Company (A Mississippi Corporation) 2992 West Beach Boulevard Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 (228) 864-1211 | 64-0205820 |
| 333-98553 | Southern Power Company (A Delaware Corporation) 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Blvd., N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (404) 506-5000 | 58-2598670 |

The names and addresses of the registrants have not changed since the last report.

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This combined Form 8-K is furnished separately by six registrants: The Southern Company, Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company and Southern Power Company. Information contained herein relating to each registrant is furnished by each registrant solely on its own behalf. Each registrant makes no representation as to information relating to the other registrants.

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrants under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
 - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits attached hereto, shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, such information, including the exhibits attached hereto, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

On April 27, 2016, The Southern Company (“Southern Company”) issued a press release regarding its earnings for the three months ended March 31, 2016. A copy of this release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.01 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. In addition, certain additional information regarding the financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2016 is being furnished as Exhibits 99.02 through 99.07 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Use of Non-GAAP Financial Measures

Exhibits 99.01, 99.02, 99.03 and 99.04 to this Current Report on Form 8-K, in addition to including earnings and earnings per share in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”) for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015, also include earnings and earnings per share (1) for the three-month periods ended March 31, 2016 and 2015 excluding charges for estimated probable losses relating to Mississippi Power Company’s construction of the integrated coal gasification combined cycle facility in Kemper County, Mississippi (the “Kemper IGCC”), and (2) for the three-month period ended March 31, 2016 excluding costs related to the proposed acquisitions of AGL Resources Inc. and PowerSecure International, Inc. The estimated probable losses relating to the Kemper IGCC significantly impacted the presentation of earnings and earnings per share for the three-month period ended March 31, 2016, and similar charges may occur with uncertain frequency in the future. Further costs related to the proposed acquisitions of AGL Resources Inc. and PowerSecure International, Inc. are expected to continue to occur in connection with closing the proposed acquisitions and supporting the related integrations. Southern Company believes the presentation of earnings and earnings per share, excluding these charges, is useful to investors because it provides investors with additional information to evaluate the performance of Southern Company’s ongoing business activities. Southern Company management also uses earnings and earnings per share, excluding the effect of these charges, to evaluate the performance of Southern Company’s ongoing business activities. The presentation of this additional information is not meant to be considered a substitute for financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Exhibits

The exhibits hereto contain business segment information for Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company and Southern Power Company. Accordingly, this report is also being furnished on behalf of each such registrant.

The following exhibits relate to the three months ended March 31, 2016:

- Exhibit 99.01 Press Release.
- Exhibit 99.02 Financial Highlights.
- Exhibit 99.03 Significant Factors Impacting EPS.
- Exhibit 99.04 EPS Earnings Analysis.
- Exhibit 99.05 Consolidated Earnings.
- Exhibit 99.06 Kilowatt-Hour Sales.
- Exhibit 99.07 Financial Overview.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, each of the registrants has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE SOUTHERN
COMPANY

Date: April 27, 2016

By/s/Ann P. Daiss
Ann P. Daiss
Comptroller

ALABAMA POWER
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By/s/Melissa K. Caen
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Assistant Secretary

