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Form 10-Q  
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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 10-Q**  
**o QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)**  
**OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
**For the quarterly period ended September 30, 2009**  
**OR**  
**o TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d)**  
**OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**  
**For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

<b>Commission File Number</b>	<b>Registrant, State of Incorporation, Address and Telephone Number</b>	<b>I.R.S. Employer Identification No.</b>
1-3526	<b>The Southern Company</b> (A Delaware Corporation) 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (404) 506-5000	58-0690070
1-3164	<b>Alabama Power Company</b> (An Alabama Corporation) 600 North 18 <sup>th</sup> Street Birmingham, Alabama 35291 (205) 257-1000	63-0004250
1-6468	<b>Georgia Power Company</b> (A Georgia Corporation) 241 Ralph McGill Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30308 (404) 506-6526	58-0257110
0-2429	<b>Gulf Power Company</b> (A Florida Corporation) One Energy Place Pensacola, Florida 32520 (850) 444-6111	59-0276810
001-11229	<b>Mississippi Power Company</b> (A Mississippi Corporation) 2992 West Beach Gulfport, Mississippi 39501 (228) 864-1211	64-0205820
333-98553	<b>Southern Power Company</b> (A Delaware Corporation) 30 Ivan Allen Jr. Boulevard, N.W. Atlanta, Georgia 30308	58-2598670



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Indicate by check mark whether the registrants (1) have filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrants were required to file such reports), and (2) have been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrants have submitted electronically and posted on their corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrants were required to submit and post such files). Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of *large accelerated filer*, *accelerated filer* and *smaller reporting company* in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

<b>Registrant</b>	<b>Large Accelerated Filer</b>	<b>Accelerated Filer</b>	<b>Non-accelerated Filer</b>	<b>Smaller Reporting Company</b>
The Southern Company	X			
Alabama Power Company			X	
Georgia Power Company			X	
Gulf Power Company			X	
Mississippi Power Company			X	
Southern Power Company			X	

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.) Yes  No  (Response applicable to all registrants.)

<b>Registrant</b>	<b>Description of</b>	<b>Shares Outstanding at September 30, 2009</b>
<b>The Southern Company</b>	<b>Common Stock</b>	
	<b>Par Value \$5 Per Share</b>	<b>800,211,378</b>
<b>Alabama Power Company</b>	<b>Par Value \$40 Per Share</b>	<b>28,850,000</b>
<b>Georgia Power Company</b>	<b>Without Par Value</b>	<b>9,261,500</b>
<b>Gulf Power Company</b>	<b>Without Par Value</b>	<b>3,142,717</b>
<b>Mississippi Power Company</b>	<b>Without Par Value</b>	<b>1,121,000</b>
<b>Southern Power Company</b>	<b>Par Value \$0.01 Per Share</b>	<b>1,000</b>

This combined Form 10-Q is separately filed by The Southern Company, Alabama Power Company, Georgia Power Company, Gulf Power Company, Mississippi Power Company, and Southern Power Company. Information contained herein relating to any individual registrant is filed by such registrant on its own behalf. Each registrant makes no representation as to information relating to the other registrants.

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<b>Term</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
2007 Retail Rate Plan	Georgia Power's retail rate plan for the years 2008 through 2010
Alabama Power	Alabama Power Company
Clean Air Act	Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
Duke Energy	Duke Energy Corporation
ECO Plan	Mississippi Power's Environmental Compliance Overview Plan
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
FASB	Financial Accounting Standards Board
FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
Fitch	Fitch Ratings, Inc.
Form 10-K	Combined Annual Report on Form 10-K of Southern Company, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Power for the year ended December 31, 2008 and, with respect to Southern Company, the subsequently revised audited financial statements included in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 8, 2009
Georgia Power	Georgia Power Company
Gulf Power	Gulf Power Company
IGCC	Integrated coal gasification combined cycle
IIC	Intercompany Interchange Contract
Internal Revenue Code	Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended
IRS	Internal Revenue Service
KWH	Kilowatt-hour
LIBOR	London Interbank Offered Rate
Mirant	Mirant Corporation
Mississippi Power	Mississippi Power Company
mmBtu	Million British thermal unit
Moody's	Moody's Investors Service
MW	Megawatt
MWH	Megawatt-hour
NRC	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
NSR	New Source Review
OCI	Other Comprehensive Income
PEP	Performance Evaluation Plan
Power Pool	The operating arrangement whereby the integrated generating resources of the traditional operating companies and Southern Power are subject to joint commitment and dispatch in order to serve their combined load obligations
PPA	Power Purchase Agreement
PSC	Public Service Commission
Rate ECR registrants	Alabama Power's energy cost recovery rate mechanism Southern Company, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Power
SCS	Southern Company Services, Inc.
SEC	Securities and Exchange Commission
Southern Company	The Southern Company
Southern Company system	Southern Company, the traditional operating companies, Southern Power, and other subsidiaries





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**DEFINITIONS**

(continued)

<b>Term</b>	<b>Meaning</b>
SouthernLINC Wireless	Southern Communications Services, Inc.
Southern Nuclear	Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc.
Southern Power	Southern Power Company
Standard and Poor's	Standard and Poor's Ratings Services, a division of The McGraw Hill Companies, Inc.
traditional operating companies	Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power
Westinghouse	Westinghouse Electric Company LLC
wholesale revenues	revenues generated from sales for resale

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**CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING INFORMATION**

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements concerning the strategic goals for the wholesale business, retail sales, customer growth, storm damage cost recovery and repairs, fuel cost recovery and other rate actions, environmental regulations and expenditures, retail return on equity projections, access to sources of capital, projections for postretirement benefit and nuclear decommissioning trust contributions, financing activities, start and completion of construction projects, plans and estimated costs for new generation resources, impacts of adoption of new accounting rules, potential exemptions from ad valorem taxation of the Kemper IGCC project, unrecognized tax benefits related to leveraged lease transactions, impact of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, estimated sales and purchases under new power sale and purchase agreements, and estimated construction and other expenditures. In some cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by terminology such as may, will, could, should, expects, plans, anticipates, believes, estimates, projects, predicts, potential, or continue or the negative of these terms or other terminology. There are various factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those suggested by the forward-looking statements; accordingly, there can be no assurance that such indicated results will be realized. These factors include:

- the impact of recent and future federal and state regulatory change, including legislative and regulatory initiatives regarding deregulation and restructuring of the electric utility industry, implementation of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, environmental laws including regulation of water quality and emissions of sulfur, nitrogen, mercury, carbon, soot, or particulate matter and other substances, and also changes in tax and other laws and regulations to which Southern Company and its subsidiaries are subject, as well as changes in application of existing laws and regulations;
- current and future litigation, regulatory investigations, proceedings, or inquiries, including the pending EPA civil actions against certain Southern Company subsidiaries, FERC matters, IRS audits, and Mirant matters;
- the effects, extent, and timing of the entry of additional competition in the markets in which Southern Company's subsidiaries operate;
- variations in demand for electricity, including those relating to weather, the general economy, population and business growth (and declines), and the effects of energy conservation measures;
- available sources and costs of fuels;
- effects of inflation;
- ability to control costs and avoid cost overruns during the development and construction of facilities;
- investment performance of Southern Company's employee benefit plans;
- advances in technology;
- state and federal rate regulations and the impact of pending and future rate cases and negotiations, including rate actions relating to fuel and storm restoration cost recovery;
- regulatory approvals related to the potential Plant Vogtle expansion, including Georgia PSC and NRC approvals;
- the performance of projects undertaken by the non-utility businesses and the success of efforts to invest in and develop new opportunities;
- internal restructuring or other restructuring options that may be pursued;
- potential business strategies, including acquisitions or dispositions of assets or businesses, which cannot be assured to be completed or beneficial to Southern Company or its subsidiaries;
- the ability of counterparties of Southern Company and its subsidiaries to make payments as and when due and to perform as required;
- the ability to obtain new short- and long-term contracts with neighboring utilities and other wholesale customers;
- the direct or indirect effect on Southern Company's business resulting from terrorist incidents and the threat of terrorist incidents;
- interest rate fluctuations and financial market conditions and the results of financing efforts, including Southern Company's and its subsidiaries' credit ratings;
- the ability of Southern Company and its subsidiaries to obtain additional generating capacity at competitive prices;

catastrophic events such as fires, earthquakes, explosions, floods, hurricanes, droughts, pandemic health events such as an avian or other influenza, or other similar occurrences;  
the direct or indirect effects on Southern Company's business resulting from incidents similar to the August 2003 power outage in the Northeast;  
the effect of accounting pronouncements issued periodically by standard setting bodies; and  
other factors discussed elsewhere herein and in other reports (including the Form 10-K) filed by the registrants from time to time with the SEC.

**Each registrant expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements.**

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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY AND  
SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**

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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008	2009	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Retail revenues	\$ 3,997,659	\$ 4,478,292	\$ 10,355,330	\$ 10,933,784
Wholesale revenues	519,122	774,847	1,408,286	1,880,311
Other electric revenues	139,869	142,459	391,070	413,811
Other revenues	24,832	30,901	78,267	96,690
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>4,681,482</b>	5,426,499	<b>12,232,953</b>	13,324,596
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	1,733,527	2,152,828	4,588,932	5,226,845
Purchased power	166,791	378,259	407,623	668,423
Other operations and maintenance	820,889	908,404	2,523,184	2,720,219
MC Asset Recovery litigation settlement			202,000	
Depreciation and amortization	332,117	367,014	1,099,216	1,069,644
Taxes other than income taxes	212,882	215,298	620,851	602,612
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>3,266,206</b>	4,021,803	<b>9,441,806</b>	10,287,743
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>1,415,276</b>	1,404,696	<b>2,791,147</b>	3,036,853
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	51,061	35,541	141,173	111,612
Interest income	6,013	9,744	17,791	20,737
Equity in income (losses) of unconsolidated subsidiaries	(34)	4,704	(330)	6,129
Leveraged lease income (losses)	6,578	6,343	24,695	(53,611)
Gain on disposition of lease termination			26,300	
Loss on extinguishment of debt			(17,184)	
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	(226,345)	(219,066)	(684,902)	(665,123)
Other income (expense), net	(10,432)	(10,816)	(26,963)	(14,385)
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(173,159)</b>	(173,550)	<b>(519,420)</b>	(594,641)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>1,242,117</b>	1,231,146	<b>2,271,727</b>	2,442,212
Income taxes	435,947	434,515	828,833	837,605
<b>Consolidated Net Income</b>	<b>806,170</b>	796,631	<b>1,442,894</b>	1,604,607
<b>Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock of Subsidiaries</b>	<b>16,195</b>	16,195	<b>48,585</b>	48,585
<b>Consolidated Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock of</b>	<b>\$ 789,975</b>	\$ 780,436	<b>\$ 1,394,309</b>	\$ 1,556,022

**Subsidiaries****Common Stock Data:**

Earnings per share (EPS) -

Basic EPS	\$	<b>0.99</b>	\$	1.01	\$	<b>1.77</b>	\$	2.02
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Diluted EPS	\$	<b>0.99</b>	\$	1.00	\$	<b>1.76</b>	\$	2.01
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Average number of shares of common stock outstanding (in thousands)

Basic		<b>798,418</b>		772,622		<b>789,675</b>		769,298
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Diluted		<b>800,178</b>		776,903		<b>791,259</b>		773,451
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Cash dividends paid per share of common stock

	\$	<b>0.4375</b>	\$	0.4200	\$	<b>1.2950</b>	\$	1.2425
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The accompanying notes as they relate to Southern Company are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Consolidated net income	\$ 1,442,894	\$ 1,604,607
Adjustments to reconcile consolidated net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	1,310,854	1,265,696
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	(14,565)	46,006
Deferred revenues	(40,781)	94,924
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(141,173)	(111,612)
Equity in income (losses) of unconsolidated subsidiaries	330	(6,129)
Leveraged lease income (losses)	(24,695)	53,611
Gain on disposition of lease termination	(26,300)	
Loss on extinguishment of debt	17,184	
Pension, postretirement, and other employee benefits	42,775	75,965
Stock option expense	20,850	17,730
Hedge settlements	(16,167)	17,289
Other, net	10,036	(56,200)
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	319,286	(522,004)
-Fossil fuel stock	(361,520)	(112,328)
-Materials and supplies	(40,811)	(25,347)
-Other current assets	(50,977)	(33,896)
-Accounts payable	(210,459)	(45,079)
-Accrued taxes	238,988	409,684
-Accrued compensation	(273,349)	(86,436)
-Other current liabilities	157,384	49,651
Net cash provided from operating activities	<b>2,359,784</b>	2,636,132
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(3,179,009)	(2,860,118)
Investment in restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	(49,528)	(5,454)
Distribution of restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	90,088	46,782
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund purchases	(1,066,688)	(581,171)
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund sales	1,019,401	574,291
Proceeds from property sales	339,911	5,718
Cost of removal, net of salvage	(85,022)	(74,714)
Change in construction payables	110,265	(8,703)
Other investing activities	(35,766)	(76,402)
Net cash used for investing activities	<b>(2,856,348)</b>	(2,979,771)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		



Increase in notes payable, net Proceeds	<b>118,124</b>	62,302
Long-term debt issuances	<b>2,216,010</b>	2,416,035
Common stock issuances	<b>668,529</b>	381,200
Redemptions		
Long-term debt	<b>(1,229,484)</b>	(769,789)
Redeemable preferred stock		(125,000)
Payment of common stock dividends	<b>(1,018,928)</b>	(954,438)
Payment of dividends on preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries	<b>(48,675)</b>	(49,497)
Other financing activities	<b>(18,732)</b>	(11,705)
Net cash provided from financing activities	<b>686,844</b>	949,108
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>190,280</b>	605,469
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>416,581</b>	200,550
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 606,861</b>	<b>\$ 806,019</b>

**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for Interest (net of \$59,849 and \$54,404 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively)	<b>\$ 589,919</b>	\$ 575,597
Income taxes (net of refunds)	<b>\$ 644,541</b>	\$ 489,600

The accompanying notes as they relate to Southern Company are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 606,861	\$ 416,581
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	66,403	102,537
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	1,234,810	1,053,674
Unbilled revenues	394,815	320,439
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues	416,805	646,318
Other accounts and notes receivable	270,348	301,028
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(29,044)	(26,326)
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	1,373,037	1,018,314
Materials and supplies, at average cost	795,622	756,746
Vacation pay	135,061	140,283
Prepaid expenses	372,951	301,570
Other regulatory assets, current	193,710	275,424
Other current assets	50,554	51,044
Total current assets	5,881,933	5,357,632
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	52,326,502	50,618,219
Less accumulated depreciation	18,985,998	18,285,800
Plant in service, net of depreciation	33,340,504	32,332,419
Nuclear fuel, at amortized cost	536,191	510,274
Construction work in progress	4,265,084	3,035,795
Total property, plant, and equipment	38,141,779	35,878,488
<b>Other Property and Investments:</b>		
Nuclear decommissioning trusts, at fair value	1,060,161	864,396
Leveraged leases	606,165	897,338
Miscellaneous property and investments	228,594	226,757
Total other property and investments	1,894,920	1,988,491
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	1,033,025	972,781
Unamortized debt issuance expense	209,607	207,763
Unamortized loss on reacquired debt	260,077	270,919
Deferred under recovered regulatory clause revenues	317,780	606,483
Other regulatory assets, deferred	2,404,534	2,636,217

Other deferred charges and assets	<b>380,552</b>	428,432
Total deferred charges and other assets	<b>4,605,575</b>	5,122,595
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 50,524,207</b>	\$ 48,347,206

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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

<b>Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>At September 30, 2009</b>	<b>At December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Securities due within one year	\$ 412,295	\$ 616,415
Notes payable	1,064,694	953,437
Accounts payable	1,158,560	1,249,694
Customer deposits	325,035	302,495
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	176,299	195,922
Unrecognized tax benefits	160,649	131,641
Other accrued taxes	423,540	396,206
Accrued interest	227,821	195,500
Accrued vacation pay	168,955	178,519
Accrued compensation	191,139	446,718
Liabilities from risk management activities	147,464	260,977
Other regulatory liabilities, current	422,199	78,360
Other current liabilities	297,364	220,351
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>5,176,014</b>	<b>5,226,235</b>
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	<b>18,010,235</b>	<b>16,816,438</b>
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	6,350,882	6,080,104
Deferred credits related to income taxes	257,581	259,156
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	435,785	455,398
Employee benefit obligations	2,023,883	2,057,424
Asset retirement obligations	1,235,309	1,182,769
Other cost of removal obligations	1,048,279	1,320,558
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	241,160	261,970
Other deferred credits and liabilities	301,167	329,534
<b>Total deferred credits and other liabilities</b>	<b>11,894,046</b>	<b>11,946,913</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>35,080,295</b>	<b>33,989,586</b>
<b>Redeemable Preferred Stock of Subsidiaries</b>	<b>374,496</b>	<b>374,496</b>
<b>Stockholders Equity:</b>		
<b>Common Stockholders Equity:</b>		
Common stock, par value \$5 per share		
Authorized 1 billion shares		
Issued September 30, 2009: 800,693,706 Shares;		

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December 31, 2008: 777,615,751 Shares		
Treasury September 30, 2009: 482,328 Shares;		
December 31, 2008: 423,477 Shares		
Par value	<b>4,003,446</b>	3,888,041
Paid-in capital	<b>2,469,185</b>	1,892,802
Treasury, at cost	<b>(14,042)</b>	(12,279)
Retained earnings	<b>7,987,893</b>	7,611,977
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<b>(84,433)</b>	(104,784)
<b>Total Common Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>14,362,049</b>	13,275,757
<b>Preferred and Preference Stock of Subsidiaries</b>	<b>707,367</b>	707,367
<b>Total Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>15,069,416</b>	13,983,124
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b>	<b>\$ 50,524,207</b>	\$ 48,347,206

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	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Consolidated Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 806,170</b>	\$ 796,631	<b>\$ 1,442,894</b>	\$ 1,604,607
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Qualifying hedges:				
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(1,356), \$11,996, \$(2,338), and \$579, respectively	<b>(2,151)</b>	18,603	<b>(3,815)</b>	690
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$4,610, \$1,730, \$13,073, and \$5,879, respectively	<b>7,339</b>	2,709	<b>20,807</b>	9,217
Marketable securities:				
Change in fair value, net of tax of \$(1,056), \$163, \$239, and \$(2,293), respectively	<b>(1,359)</b>	86	<b>2,310</b>	(3,940)
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$-, \$3, \$-, and \$3, respectively		4		4
Pension and other post retirement benefit plans:				
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$222, \$237, \$665, and \$773, respectively	<b>350</b>	376	<b>1,049</b>	1,258
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>4,179</b>	21,778	<b>20,351</b>	7,229
Dividends on preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries	<b>(16,195)</b>	(16,195)	<b>(48,585)</b>	(48,585)
<b>Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>\$ 794,154</b>	\$ 802,214	<b>\$ 1,414,660</b>	\$ 1,563,251

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**OVERVIEW**

Discussion of the results of operations is focused on Southern Company's primary business of electricity sales in the Southeast by the traditional operating companies—Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power—and Southern Power. The traditional operating companies are vertically integrated utilities providing electric service in four Southeastern states. Southern Power constructs, acquires, owns, and manages generation assets and sells electricity at market-based rates in the wholesale market. Southern Company's other business activities include investments in leveraged lease projects and telecommunications. For additional information on these businesses, see **BUSINESS** The Southern Company System—Traditional Operating Companies, Southern Power, and Other Businesses in Item 1 of the Form 10-K.

Southern Company continues to focus on several key performance indicators. These indicators include customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and earnings per share. For additional information on these indicators, see **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS** OVERVIEW—Key Performance Indicators of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*****Net Income***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$9.6	1.2	\$(161.7)	(10.4)

Southern Company's third quarter 2009 net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries was \$790.0 million (\$0.99 per share) compared to \$780.4 million (\$1.01 per share) for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase for the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was primarily the result of an increase in revenues from customer charges at Alabama Power, increased recognition of environmental compliance cost recovery revenues at Georgia Power in accordance with its 2007 Retail Rate Plan, lower operations and maintenance expenses, amortization of the regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations at Georgia Power, and an increase in allowance for equity funds used during construction (AFUDC), which is not taxable. The increase for the third quarter 2009 was partially offset by a decrease in revenues from lower KWH demand by industrial customers, a decrease in revenues from market-response rates to large commercial and industrial customers, and unfavorable weather as compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

Southern Company's year-to-date 2009 net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries was \$1.39 billion (\$1.77 per share) compared to \$1.56 billion (\$2.02 per share) for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was primarily the result of a litigation settlement with MC Asset Recovery, LLC (MC Asset Recovery), a decrease in revenues from lower KWH demand by residential and industrial customers, a decrease in revenues from market-response rates to large commercial and industrial customers, unfavorable weather, higher depreciation and amortization, and higher interest expense. The decrease for year-to-date 2009 was partially offset by an increase in revenues from customer charges at Alabama Power, increased recognition of environmental compliance cost recovery revenues at Georgia Power in accordance with its 2007 Retail Rate Plan, lower operations and maintenance expenses, an increase in AFUDC, which is not taxable, a 2008 charge related to tax treatment of leveraged lease investments, and a gain on the early termination of two international leveraged lease investments.





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**Retail Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(480.6)	(10.7)	\$(578.5)	(5.3)

In the third quarter 2009, retail revenues were \$4.00 billion compared to \$4.48 billion for the corresponding period in 2008.

For year-to-date 2009, retail revenues were \$10.36 billion compared to \$10.93 billion for the corresponding period in 2008.

Details of the change to retail revenues are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Retail prior year	\$4,478.3		\$10,933.8	
Estimated change in				
Rates and pricing	4.5	0.1	92.3	0.8
Sales growth (decline)	(54.1)	(1.2)	(195.3)	(1.8)
Weather	(39.6)	(0.9)	(35.2)	(0.3)
Fuel and other cost recovery	(391.4)	(8.7)	(440.3)	(4.0)
Retail current year	\$3,997.7	(10.7)%	\$10,355.3	(5.3)%

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing increased in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 primarily as a result of an increase in revenues from customer charges at Alabama Power and increased recognition of environmental compliance cost recovery revenues at Georgia Power in accordance with its 2007 Retail Rate Plan, partially offset by a decrease in revenues from market-response rates to large commercial and industrial customers.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 due to decreases in weather-adjusted retail KWH sales of 3.4% and 5.3%, respectively, resulting primarily from recessionary economic conditions. For the third quarter 2009, weather-adjusted residential KWH sales remained flat, weather-adjusted commercial KWH sales decreased 2.1%, and weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales decreased 9.3%. For year-to-date 2009, weather-adjusted residential KWH sales remained flat, weather-adjusted commercial KWH sales decreased 1.3%, and weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales decreased 14.6%. Reduced demand in the primary metals, fabricated metal, chemical, and textiles sectors, as well as reduced demand in the stone, clay, and glass sector, contributed most significantly to the decreases in weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008. While weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales for the third quarter 2009 decreased 9.3% when compared to the corresponding period in 2008, weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales increased 12.0% when compared to the second quarter 2009.

Revenues resulting from changes in weather decreased in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 as a result of unfavorable weather when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008.



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Fuel and other cost recovery revenues decreased in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008. Electric rates for the traditional operating companies include provisions to adjust billings for fluctuations in fuel costs, including the energy component of purchased power costs. Under these provisions, fuel revenues generally equal fuel expenses, including the fuel component of purchased power costs, and do not affect net income.

**Wholesale Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(255.7)	(33.0)	\$(472.0)	(25.1)

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues were \$519.1 million compared to \$774.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Wholesale fuel revenues, which are generally offset by wholesale fuel expenses and do not affect net income, decreased \$258.8 million in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

Excluding wholesale fuel revenues, wholesale revenues increased \$3.1 million in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily the result of additional revenues associated with a new PPA at Southern Power's Plant Franklin Unit 3 which began in January 2009.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues were \$1.41 billion compared to \$1.88 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. Wholesale fuel revenues, which are generally offset by wholesale fuel expenses and do not affect net income, decreased \$484.8 million for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Excluding wholesale fuel revenues, wholesale revenues increased \$12.8 million for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily the result of additional revenues associated with a new PPA at Southern Power's Plant Franklin Unit 3 which began in January 2009, partially offset by fewer short-term opportunity sales due to lower energy prices and reduced margins on short-term opportunity sales when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

Short-term opportunity sales are made at market-based rates that generally provide a margin above Southern Company's variable cost to produce the energy.

**Other Electric Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(2.6)	(1.8)	\$(22.7)	(5.5)

In the third quarter 2009, other electric revenues were \$139.9 million compared to \$142.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, other electric revenues were \$391.1 million compared to \$413.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$39.6 million decrease in co-generation revenues due to lower gas prices and a decline in sales volume, partially offset by a \$7.3 million increase in customer fees. Revenues from co-generation are generally offset by related expenses and do not affect net income.

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**Other Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(6.1)	(19.6)	\$(18.4)	(19.1)

In the third quarter 2009, other revenues were \$24.8 million compared to \$30.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$5.9 million decrease in revenues at SouthernLINC Wireless related to lower average revenue per subscriber and fewer subscribers as a result of increased competition in the industry when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

For year-to-date 2009, other revenues were \$78.3 million compared to \$96.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of an \$18.0 million decrease in revenues at SouthernLINC Wireless related to lower average revenue per subscriber and fewer subscribers as a result of increased competition in the industry when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

**Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses**

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	vs.		vs.	
	Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2008	
	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Fuel*	\$(419.3)	(19.5)	\$(637.9)	(12.2)
Purchased power	(211.5)	(55.9)	(260.8)	(39.0)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$(630.8)		\$(898.7)	

\* Fuel includes fuel purchased by the Southern Company system for tolling agreements where power is generated by the provider and is included in purchased power when determining the average cost of purchased power.

In the third quarter 2009, fuel and purchased power expenses were \$1.90 billion compared to \$2.53 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$317.9 million net decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased and a \$312.9 million net decrease in the average cost of fuel and purchased power when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. The net decrease in the average cost of fuel and purchased power for the third quarter 2009 resulted primarily from lower gas prices and a significant increase in hydro generation due to increased rainfall when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel and purchased power expenses were \$5.00 billion compared to \$5.90 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$602.8 million net decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased and a \$295.9 million net decrease in the average cost of fuel and purchased power when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. The net decrease in the average cost of fuel and purchased power for year-to-date 2009 resulted primarily from lower gas prices and a significant increase in hydro generation due to increased rainfall when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

Fuel expenses at the traditional operating companies are generally offset by fuel revenues and do not affect net income. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC and State PSC Matters Retail Fuel Cost Recovery herein for additional information. Fuel expenses incurred under Southern Power's PPAs are generally the responsibility of the counterparties and do not significantly affect net income.



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Details of Southern Company's cost of generation and purchased power are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Third Quarter 2008	Percent Change	Year-to-Date 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Year-to-Date 2008	Percent Change
Average Cost	3.42	3.96	(13.6)	3.39	3.46	(2.0)
Fuel	8.00	9.70	(17.5)	6.20	9.02	(31.3)
Purchased power						

Energy purchases will vary depending on demand for energy within the Southern Company service area, the market cost of available energy as compared to the cost of Southern Company system-generated energy, and the availability of Southern Company system generation.

**Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses**

## Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

## Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

*(change in millions)*  
\$(87.5)

*(% change)*  
(9.6)

*(change in millions)*  
\$(197.0)

*(% change)*  
(7.2)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$820.9 million compared to \$908.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a \$32.7 million decrease in fossil, hydro, and nuclear expenses mainly due to less planned spending on outages and maintenance, as well as other cost containment activities, which were the result of efforts to offset the effects of the recessionary economy; a \$16.1 million decrease in transmission and distribution expenses mainly due to lower maintenance expenses; a \$9.6 million decrease in expenses related to customer service and sales; a \$4.3 million decrease in expenses related to lower sales and fewer subscribers at SouthernLINC Wireless; and a \$4.1 million decrease in administrative and general expenses mainly due to a decrease in accrued expenses for the litigation and workers' compensation reserve. For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$2.52 billion compared to \$2.72 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of an \$80.0 million decrease in fossil, hydro, and nuclear expenses mainly due to less planned spending on outages and maintenance, as well as other cost containment activities, which were the result of efforts to offset the effects of the recessionary economy; a \$57.1 million decrease in transmission and distribution expenses mainly due to lower maintenance expenses, as well as other cost containment activities; a \$16.5 million decrease in expenses related to customer service and sales; a \$14.4 million decrease in expenses related to lower sales and fewer subscribers at SouthernLINC Wireless; and a \$13.9 million decrease in expenses related to lower litigation costs resulting from the litigation settlement with MC Asset Recovery in the first quarter 2009, as well as the fourth quarter 2008 settlement with the IRS regarding several leveraged lease investments. See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements under "Mirant Matters - MC Asset Recovery Litigation and Income Tax Matters - Leveraged Leases" herein for additional information. Partially offsetting the year-to-date 2009 decrease was a \$15.8 million increase in administration and general expenses largely related to the \$29.4 million charge in the first quarter 2009 in connection with a voluntary attrition program at Georgia Power under which 579 employees elected to resign their positions effective March 31, 2009. Through the third quarter 2009, approximately two-thirds of the \$29.4 million charge was offset by lower salary and employee benefits costs, and the remaining one-third will be offset during the fourth quarter 2009. This charge is not expected to have a material impact on Southern Company financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2009.

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**MC Asset Recovery Litigation Settlement**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
		\$202.0	N/M

N/M Not Meaningful

In the first quarter 2009, Southern Company entered into a litigation settlement agreement with MC Asset Recovery which resulted in a charge of \$202.0 million. See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Mirant Matters MC Asset Recovery Litigation herein for additional information.

**Depreciation and Amortization**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(34.9)	(9.5)	\$29.6	2.8

In the third quarter 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$332.1 million compared to \$367.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of \$54.0 million of amortization of the regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations as authorized by the Georgia PSC, partially offset by an increase in plant in service related to environmental, transmission, and distribution projects at Georgia Power.

For year-to-date 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$1.10 billion compared to \$1.07 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily the result of an increase in plant in service related to environmental, transmission, and distribution projects at Alabama Power and Georgia Power and the completion of Southern Power's Plant Franklin Unit 3 in June 2008, as well as an increase in depreciation rates at Southern Power. The increase was partially offset by \$54.0 million of amortization of the regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations as authorized by the Georgia PSC.

See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC and State PSC Matters Retail Rate Matters herein for additional information regarding the Georgia PSC order.

**Taxes Other Than Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(2.4)	(1.1)	\$18.3	3.0

In the third quarter 2009, taxes other than income taxes were \$212.9 million compared to \$215.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material. For year-to-date 2009, taxes other than income taxes were \$620.9 million compared to \$602.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily the result of increases in state and municipal public utility license tax bases at Alabama Power and increases in franchise fees at Gulf Power. Increases in franchise fees are associated with increases in revenues from retail energy sales.

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***Allowance for Equity Funds Used During Construction***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$15.6	43.7	\$29.6	26.5

In the third quarter 2009, AFUDC was \$51.1 million compared to \$35.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, AFUDC was \$141.2 million compared to \$111.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The third quarter and year-to-date 2009 increases were primarily the result of additional investments in environmental projects at Alabama Power and Gulf Power, as well as additional investments in transmission and distribution projects at Alabama Power.

***Leveraged Lease Income (Losses)***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$0.3	3.7	\$78.3	146.1

In the third quarter 2009, leveraged lease income (losses) was \$6.6 million compared to \$6.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material. For year-to-date 2009, leveraged lease income (losses) was \$24.7 million compared to \$(53.6) million for the corresponding period in 2008. Southern Company has several leveraged lease investments in international and domestic energy generation, distribution, and transportation assets. Southern Company receives federal income tax deductions for depreciation and amortization, as well as interest on long-term debt related to these investments. The year-to-date 2009 increase was primarily the result of the 2008 application of certain accounting standards related to leveraged leases, including a second quarter 2008 after tax charge of \$51.2 million. See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements under **Income Tax Matters** **Leveraged Leases** herein for additional information.

***Gain on Disposition of Lease Termination***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
		\$26.3	N/M

N/M Not Meaningful

In the second quarter 2009, Southern Company terminated two international leveraged lease investments early, which resulted in a gain of \$26.3 million.



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**Loss on Extinguishment of Debt**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
		\$17.2	N/M

N/M Not Meaningful

In the second quarter 2009, Southern Company terminated two international leveraged lease investments early. The proceeds from the terminations were required to be used to extinguish all debt related to leveraged lease investments, a portion of which had make-whole redemption provisions which resulted in a loss of \$17.2 million.

**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$7.2	3.3	\$19.8	3.0

In the third quarter 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$226.3 million compared to \$219.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$684.9 million compared to \$665.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase in expense was primarily the result of an \$83.0 million increase associated with \$1.30 billion in additional debt outstanding at September 30, 2009 compared to September 30, 2008. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Financing Activities of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K and herein for additional information. Partially offsetting this increase was a \$44.3 million decrease related to lower average interest rates on existing variable rate debt, including the impact of hedges, a \$13.4 million decrease related to other interest charges, and \$5.5 million of additional capitalized interest when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

**Other Income (Expense), Net**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$0.4	3.6	\$(12.6)	(87.4)

In the third quarter 2009, other income (expense), net was \$(10.4) million compared to \$(10.8) million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease in expense when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, other income (expense), net was \$(27.0) million compared to \$(14.4) million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase in expense was primarily the result of the first quarter 2008 recognition of a \$6.4 million fee received for participating in an asset auction and a \$6.0 million gain on the sale of an undeveloped tract of land to the Orlando Utilities Commission.

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***Income Taxes***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$1.4	0.3	\$(8.8)	(1.0)

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$435.9 million compared to \$434.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily the result of higher pre-tax earnings, largely offset by the third quarter 2009 increase in AFUDC, which is not taxable. See Note (G) to the Condensed Financial Statements under *Effective Tax Rate* herein for details regarding the impact of AFUDC on the effective tax rate.

For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$828.8 million compared to \$837.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of lower pre-tax earnings, lower tax expense associated with the early termination of one of the international leveraged lease investments and the extinguishment of the associated debt discussed previously under *Gain on Disposition of Lease Termination* and *Loss on Extinguishment of Debt*, and the year-to-date increase in AFUDC, which is not taxable. Partially offsetting this decrease was the \$202.0 million charge resulting from the litigation settlement with MC Asset Recovery in the first quarter 2009, which has not been deducted for tax purposes. See Note (G) to the Condensed Financial Statements under *Effective Tax Rate* herein for details regarding the impact of the early lease termination, AFUDC, and the MC Asset Recovery litigation settlement on the effective tax rate.

**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Southern Company's future earnings potential. The level of Southern Company's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Southern Company's primary business of selling electricity. These factors include the traditional operating companies' ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs and the profitability of the competitive wholesale supply business. Future earnings for the electricity business in the near term will depend, in part, upon maintaining energy sales, which is subject to a number of factors. These factors include weather, competition, new energy contracts with neighboring utilities and other wholesale customers, energy conservation practiced by customers, the price of electricity, the price elasticity of demand, and the rate of economic growth or decline in the service area. In addition, the level of future earnings for the wholesale supply business also depends on numerous factors including creditworthiness of customers, total generating capacity available in the Southeast, future acquisitions and construction of generating facilities, and the successful remarketing of capacity as current contracts expire. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted sales for the traditional operating companies and have negatively impacted wholesale capacity revenues at Southern Power. The current economic recession is expected to continue to have a negative impact on energy sales, particularly to industrial and commercial customers. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings. For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**Environmental Matters**

Compliance costs related to the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations could affect earnings if such costs cannot continue to be fully recovered in rates on a timely basis. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under *Environmental Matters* in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.



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***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

*New York Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation New York Case of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

*Kivalina Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation Kivalina Case of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation Kivalina Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

***Air Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters - Environmental Statutes and Regulations Air Quality of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the eight-hour ozone standard. On September 16, 2009, the EPA announced that it would reconsider its March 2008 decision regarding the eight-hour ozone standard, potentially resulting in a more stringent standard and designation of additional nonattainment areas within Southern Company's service territory. The EPA is expected to propose any revisions to the standard by December 2009 and issue a final decision by August 2010. The impact of a more stringent standard will depend on the proposed and final regulations and resolution of any legal challenges and cannot be determined at this time.

***Water Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters - Environmental Statutes and Regulations Water Quality of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the EPA's regulation of cooling water intake structures. On April 1, 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit's decision with respect to the rule's use of cost-benefit analysis and held that the EPA could consider costs in arriving at its standards and in providing variances from those standards for existing power plant cooling water intake structures. Other aspects of the court's decision were not appealed and remain unaffected by the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling. While the U.S. Supreme Court's decision may ultimately result in greater flexibility for demonstrating compliance with the standards, the full scope of the regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rule's implementation, and the actual requirements established by state regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

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***Global Climate Issues***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Global Climate Issues of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on Southern Company's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future unit retirement and replacement decisions and results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

**FERC and State PSC Matters*****Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - FERC Matters - Market-Based Rate Authority of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under FERC Matters - Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

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***Retail Fuel Cost Recovery***

The traditional operating companies each have established fuel cost recovery rates approved by their respective state PSCs. Over the past several years, the traditional operating companies have experienced higher than expected fuel costs for coal, natural gas, and uranium. These higher fuel costs have resulted in total under recovered fuel costs included in the balance sheets of Georgia Power and Gulf Power of approximately \$697 million at September 30, 2009. During the third quarter 2009, Alabama Power and Mississippi Power collected all previously under recovered fuel costs and, as of September 30, 2009, have a total over recovered fuel balance of \$66 million. The total under recovered fuel costs included in the balance sheets of the traditional operating companies at December 31, 2008 was \$1.2 billion. Operating revenues are adjusted for differences in actual recoverable fuel costs and amounts billed in current regulated rates. Accordingly, changes to the billing factors will have no significant effect on Southern Company's revenues or net income but will affect cash flow. The traditional operating companies continuously monitor the under or over recovered fuel cost balance. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL PSC Matters Fuel Cost Recovery of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Alabama Power Retail Regulatory Matters, Georgia Power Retail Regulatory Matters, and Gulf Power Retail Regulatory Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

On March 10, 2009, the Georgia PSC granted Georgia Power's request to delay its fuel case filing until September 4, 2009 and, on August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved an additional delay in the filing date to no later than December 15, 2009 (with new rates to be effective April 1, 2010).

***Retail Rate Matters***

Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, Georgia Power's earnings are evaluated against a retail return on equity (ROE) range of 10.25% to 12.25%. In connection with the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the Georgia PSC ordered that Georgia Power file its next general base rate case by July 1, 2010; however, the 2007 Retail Rate Plan provided that Georgia Power may file for a general base rate increase in the event its projected retail ROE falls below 10.25%.

The economic recession has significantly reduced Georgia Power's revenues upon which retail rates were set under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan. Despite stringent efforts to reduce expenses, current projections indicate Georgia Power's retail ROE will be less than 10.25% in both 2009 and 2010. However, in lieu of filing to increase customer rates as allowed under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, on June 29, 2009, Georgia Power filed a request with the Georgia PSC for an accounting order that would allow Georgia Power to amortize approximately \$324 million of its regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations.

On August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved the accounting order. Under the terms of the accounting order, if Georgia Power does not file for a retail base rate increase in 2009, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to one-third of the regulatory liability (\$108 million) in 2009. Through September 30, 2009, Georgia Power has amortized \$54 million of the regulatory liability. In addition, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to two-thirds of the regulatory liability (\$216 million) in 2010. In the event Georgia Power files for a retail base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010, then the amortization of the regulatory liability in 2010 would be reduced by one-sixth for each month that such rate case is filed prior to July 1, 2010.

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Furthermore, the amortization of the regulatory liability is limited to only the amount that would allow Georgia Power to earn a retail ROE not more than 9.75% in 2009 and 10.15% in 2010. In addition, Georgia Power may not file for a base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010 unless economic conditions beyond its control continue to reduce Georgia Power's projected retail ROE and in no event unless Georgia Power's projected retail ROE for 2009 or 2010 is less than 9.25% after taking into consideration amortization of the regulatory liability.

**Legislation**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives, which could have a significant impact on the future cash flow and net income of Southern Company. Southern Company estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be between approximately \$225 million and \$275 million. On October 27, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries received notice that an award of \$165 million had been granted under its ARRA grant application for transmission and distribution automation and modernization projects pending final negotiations. Southern Company continues to assess the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

**Construction Projects*****Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Construction Projects - Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the Kemper IGCC.

On May 11, 2009, Mississippi Power received notification from the IRS formally certifying the Internal Revenue Code Section 48A tax credits of \$133 million to Mississippi Power. The utilization of these credits is dependent upon meeting the certification requirements for the Kemper IGCC, including an in-service date no later than May 2014.

On April 6, 2009, the Governor of the State of Mississippi signed into law a bill that will provide an ad valorem tax exemption for a portion of the assessed value of all property utilized in certain electric generating facilities with integrated gasification process facilities. This tax exemption, which may not exceed 50% of the total value of the project, is for projects with a capital investment from private sources of \$1 billion or more. Mississippi Power expects the Kemper IGCC, including the gasification portion, to be a qualifying project under the law.

On April 6, 2009, Mississippi Power received an accounting order from the Mississippi PSC directing Mississippi Power to continue to charge all generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening costs to regulatory assets including those costs associated with activities to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity and costs necessary and prudent to preserve the availability, economic viability, and/or required schedule of the Kemper IGCC generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities until the Mississippi PSC makes findings and determination as to the recovery of Mississippi Power's prudent expenditures. The Mississippi PSC's determination of prudence for Mississippi Power's pre-construction costs is scheduled to occur by May 2010. As of September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power had spent a total of \$64.5 million associated with Mississippi Power's generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities, including regulatory filing costs. Costs incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 totaled \$22.2 million as compared to \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Of the total \$64.5 million, \$59.8 million was deferred in other regulatory assets, \$3.9 million was related to land purchases capitalized, and \$0.8 million was previously expensed.

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Several motions were filed by intervenors, most of which were procedural in nature and sought to stay or delay the timely and orderly administration of the docket. In addition to these procedural motions, a motion was filed by the Attorney General for the State of Mississippi which questioned whether the Mississippi PSC had authority to approve the gasification portion of the Kemper IGCC. On June 5, 2009, all of these motions were denied by the Mississippi PSC.

On June 5, 2009, the Mississippi PSC issued an order initiating an evaluation of the Kemper IGCC and establishing a two-phase procedural schedule. During Phase I, the Mississippi PSC will determine if a need exists for new generating resources. Hearings for Phase I were held in October 2009, and a decision is expected in November 2009. If it is determined a need exists in Phase I, the appropriate resource to fill the need as well as the cost recovery of that resource through application of the State of Mississippi's Baseload Act of 2008 will be determined during Phase II. Hearings regarding Phase II issues are scheduled for February 2010 with a decision by May 2010. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - Mississippi Base Load Construction Legislation of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the Baseload Act of 2008.

On September 15, 2009, South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) signed a non-binding letter of intent to explore the acquisition of an interest in the Kemper IGCC. Mississippi Power and SMEPA are evaluating a combination of a joint ownership arrangement and a PPA which would provide SMEPA with up to 20% of the capacity and associated energy output from the Kemper IGCC.

The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

***Nuclear***

See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Construction Projects - Nuclear herein for information regarding the potential expansion of Plant Vogtle.

On March 17, 2009, the Georgia PSC voted to certify construction of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 at an in-service cost of \$6.4 billion. In addition, the Georgia PSC voted to approve inclusion of the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base and to recover financing costs during the construction period beginning in 2011, which reduces the projected in-service cost to approximately \$4.5 billion.

On April 21, 2009, the Governor of the State of Georgia signed into law the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act that will allow Georgia Power to recover financing costs for nuclear construction projects by including the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base during the construction period. The cost recovery provisions will become effective January 1, 2011.

On June 15, 2009, an environmental group filed a petition in the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia seeking review of the Georgia PSC's certification order and challenging the constitutionality of the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act. Georgia Power believes there is no meritorious basis for this petition and intends to vigorously defend against the requested actions. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

On August 26, 2009, the NRC issued the Early Site Permit and Limited Work Authorization for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. Excavation for the new units is in progress.



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On August 27, 2009, the NRC issued letters to Westinghouse revising the review schedules needed to certify the AP1000 standard design for new reactors and expressing concerns related to the availability of adequate information and the shield building design. The shield building protects the containment and provides structural support to the containment cooling water supply. Georgia Power is continuing to work with Westinghouse and the NRC to resolve these concerns. Any possible delays in the AP1000 design certification schedule, including those addressed by the NRC in their letters, are not currently expected to affect the projected commercial operation dates for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

On August 31, 2009, Georgia Power filed with the Georgia PSC its first semi-annual construction monitoring report for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 for the period ended June 30, 2009 which did not include any change to the estimated construction cost as certified by the Georgia PSC in March 2009. The Georgia PSC will conduct hearings between November 2009 and January 2010 in review of this report and is scheduled to render its decision on February 18, 2010. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

There are pending technical and procedural challenges to the construction and licensing of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. Similar additional challenges at the state and federal level are expected as construction proceeds. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

**Nuclear Relicensing**

The NRC operating licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 were scheduled to expire in January 2027 and February 2029, respectively. In June 2007, Georgia Power filed an application with the NRC to extend the licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 for an additional 20 years. On June 3, 2009, the NRC approved the extension of the licenses as requested.

**Other Matters**

Southern Company is involved in various other matters being litigated, regulatory matters, and certain tax-related issues that could affect future earnings. In addition, Southern Company is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Southern Company's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against Southern Company and its subsidiaries cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Southern Company's financial statements. See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

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**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Southern Company prepares its consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Southern Company's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in the financial statements. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Southern Company's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Electric Utility Regulation, Contingent Obligations, and Unbilled Revenues.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Southern Company is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.

**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Southern Company's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Southern Company and its subsidiaries have maintained adequate access to capital without drawing on any committed bank credit arrangements used to support commercial paper programs and variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Southern Company intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Southern Company and its subsidiaries have been and expect to continue to be subject to higher costs as existing facilities are replaced or renewed. Total committed credit fees for Southern Company and its subsidiaries currently average less than 1/2 of 1% per year. Southern Company's interest cost for short-term debt has decreased as market short-term interest rates have declined from 2008 levels. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. Southern Company experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. See Sources of Capital and Financing Activities herein for additional information.

Southern Company's investments in pension and nuclear decommissioning trust funds remained stable during the third quarter 2009. Southern Company expects that the earliest that cash may have to be contributed to the pension trust fund is 2012 and such contribution could be significant; however, projections of the amount vary significantly depending on key variables including future trust fund performance and cannot be determined at this time. Southern Company does not expect any changes to funding obligations to the nuclear decommissioning trusts prior to 2011.

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For the first nine months of 2009, net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$2.4 billion, a decrease of \$276 million from the corresponding period in 2008. Significant changes in operating cash flow for the first nine months of 2009 as compared to the corresponding period in 2008 include a reduction to net income as previously discussed and increased levels of coal inventory of \$249 million. These uses of funds were partially offset by increased cash inflows as a result of higher fuel cost recovery rates included in customer billings. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$2.9 billion for the first nine months of 2009 as compared to \$3.0 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. While the cash outflows in each of these periods were primarily related to property additions to utility plant, the decrease in the current period as compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was primarily due to approximately \$340 million in cash received from the early termination of two leveraged lease investments. For the first nine months of 2009, net cash provided from financing activities totaled \$687 million as compared to \$949 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The funds available from financing activities were primarily attributable to cash inflows from short-term borrowings, the issuance of new long-term debt, and common stock issuances, partially offset by cash outflows for repayments of long-term debt and dividend payments. Significant balance sheet changes for the first nine months of 2009 include an increase of \$2.3 billion in total property, plant, and equipment for the installation of equipment to comply with environmental standards and construction of generation, transmission, and distribution facilities. Other significant changes include an increase in long-term debt, excluding amounts due within one year, of \$1.2 billion used primarily for construction expenditures and general corporate purposes and \$1.1 billion of additional equity.

The market price of Southern Company's common stock at September 30, 2009 was \$31.67 per share (based on the closing price as reported on the New York Stock Exchange) and the book value was \$17.95 per share, representing a market-to-book ratio of 176%, compared to \$37.00, \$17.08, and 217%, respectively, at the end of 2008. The dividend for the third quarter 2009 was \$0.4375 per share compared to \$0.42 per share in the third quarter 2008.

**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Southern Company's capital requirements for its construction programs and other funding requirements associated with scheduled maturities of long-term debt, as well as the related interest, preferred and preference stock dividends, leases, trust funding requirements, other purchase commitments, unrecognized tax benefits and interest, and derivative obligations. Approximately \$412 million will be required through September 30, 2010 to fund maturities of long-term debt. The construction programs are subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of numerous factors. These factors include: changes in business conditions; changes in load projections; changes in environmental statutes and regulations; changes in nuclear plants to meet new regulatory requirements; changes in FERC rules and regulations; PSC approvals; changes in legislation; the cost and efficiency of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital. In addition, there can be no assurance that costs related to capital expenditures will be fully recovered.

**Sources of Capital**

Southern Company intends to meet its future capital needs through internal cash flow and external security issuances. Equity capital can be provided from any combination of Southern Company's stock plans, private placements, or public offerings. The amount and timing of additional equity capital to be raised in 2009, as well as in subsequent years, will be contingent on Southern Company's investment opportunities. The traditional operating companies and Southern Power plan to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes

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from sources similar to those used in the past, which were primarily from operating cash flows, security issuances, term loans, short-term borrowings, and equity contributions from Southern Company.

However, the amount, type, and timing of any financings, if needed, will depend upon prevailing market conditions, regulatory approval, and other factors. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital of Southern Company in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Southern Company's current liabilities frequently exceed current assets because of the continued use of short-term debt as a funding source to meet cash needs as well as scheduled maturities of long-term debt. To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, Southern Company has substantial cash flow from operating activities and access to capital markets, including commercial paper programs (which are backed by bank credit facilities), to meet liquidity needs. At September 30, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries had approximately \$607 million of cash and cash equivalents and approximately \$4.7 billion of unused credit arrangements with banks, of which \$99 million expire in 2009, \$1.4 billion expire in 2010, \$25 million expire in 2011, and \$3.2 billion expire in 2012. Approximately \$84 million of the credit facilities expiring in 2009 and 2010 allow for the execution of term loans for an additional two-year period, and \$512 million contain provisions allowing one-year term loans. At September 30, 2009, approximately \$1.6 billion of the credit facilities were dedicated to providing liquidity support to the traditional operating companies variable rate pollution control revenue bonds and such credit facilities also serve as liquidity support for the commercial paper programs. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Bank Credit Arrangements in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Bank Credit Arrangements herein for additional information. The traditional operating companies may also meet short-term cash needs through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper at the request and for the benefit of each of the traditional operating companies. At September 30, 2009, the Southern Company system had outstanding commercial paper of \$1.1 billion. Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing commercial paper programs, lines of credit, and cash.

**Off-Balance Sheet Financing Arrangements**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

Off-Balance Sheet Financing Arrangements of Southern Company in Item 7 and Note 7 to the financial statements of Southern Company under Operating Leases in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information related to Mississippi Power's lease of a combined cycle generating facility at Plant Daniel.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Southern Company does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change of certain subsidiaries to BBB and Baa2, or BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are for physical electricity purchases and sales, fuel purchases, fuel transportation and storage, emissions allowances, energy price risk management, and construction of new generation. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB and Baa2 rating were approximately \$9 million and at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$422 million. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$2.1 billion. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Southern Company's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market.

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On September 2, 2009, Moody's affirmed the credit ratings of Southern Company's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper of A3/P-1, respectively, and revised the rating outlook for Southern Company to negative. On October 6, 2009, Standard and Poor's affirmed the credit ratings of Southern Company's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper of A-/A-1, respectively, and maintained a stable rating outlook. On September 4, 2009, Fitch affirmed Southern Company's long-term and commercial paper credit ratings of A/F1, respectively, and maintained its stable rating outlook.

**Market Price Risk**

Southern Company's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Southern Company is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposures on existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined.

Due to cost-based rate regulation, the traditional operating companies continue to have limited exposure to market volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. In addition, Southern Power's exposure to market volatility in commodity fuel prices and prices of electricity is limited because its long-term sales contracts shift substantially all fuel cost responsibility to the purchaser. However, during 2009, Southern Power is exposed to market volatility in energy-related commodity prices as a result of sales of uncontracted generating capacity. The traditional operating companies continue to manage fuel-hedging programs implemented per the guidelines of their respective state PSCs. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, the traditional operating companies enter into physical fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in gas prices, Southern Company's subsidiaries may enter into fixed-price contracts for natural gas purchases; however, a significant portion of contracts are priced at market. As such, the traditional operating companies have no material change in market risk exposure when compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period.

The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(302)	\$ (285)
Contracts realized or settled	131	318
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	8	(196)
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(163)	\$ (163)

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The changes in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were an increase of \$139 million and \$122 million, respectively, substantially all of which is due to natural gas positions. These changes are attributable to both the volume and prices of natural gas. At September 30, 2009, Southern Company had a net hedge volume of 154 million mmBtu (includes location basis of 2 million mmBtu) with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.09 per mmBtu above market prices, compared to 173 million mmBtu (includes location basis of 2 million mmBtu) at June 30, 2009 with a weighted

average contract cost approximately \$1.78 per mmBtu above market prices and compared to 149 million mmBtu at December 31, 2008 with a weighted average contract cost

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approximately \$1.97 per mmBtu above market prices. The majority of the natural gas hedge settlements are recovered through the traditional operating companies' fuel cost recovery clauses.

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Regulatory hedges	\$(167)	\$ (288)
Cash flow hedges	(1)	(1)
Not designated	5	4
<b>Total fair value</b>	<b>\$(163)</b>	<b>\$ (285)</b>

Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate to the traditional operating companies' fuel hedging programs, where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as they are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clauses. Gains and losses on energy-related derivatives designated as cash flow hedges are mainly used to hedge anticipated purchases and sales and are initially deferred in OCI before being recognized in income in the same period as the hedged transaction. Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Total net unrealized pre-tax gains recognized in the statements of income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were \$2 million and \$1 million, respectively. The total net unrealized gain recognized in the statements of income for the three months ended September 30, 2008 was \$7 million and was not material for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. See Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further details of these gains (losses).

The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	<b>Fair Value Measurements</b>			
	Total	Maturity		
	Fair Value	Year 1	Years 2&3	Years 4&5
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	(163)	(123)	(40)	
Level 3				
<b>Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period</b>	<b>\$(163)</b>	<b>\$(123)</b>	<b>\$(40)</b>	<b>\$</b>

Southern Company uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY - Market Price Risk of Southern Company in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of

Southern Company under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.



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**Financing Activities**

In the first nine months of 2009, Southern Company issued \$350 million of Series 2009A 4.15% Senior Notes due May 15, 2014, and its subsidiaries issued \$1.3 billion of senior notes and incurred obligations of \$600 million related to the issuance of pollution control revenue bonds. Southern Company also issued 17 million shares of common stock for \$501 million through the Southern Investment Plan, Dividend Reinvestment Plan, and employee and director stock plans. In addition, Southern Company issued 6 million shares of common stock through at-the-market issuances pursuant to sales agency agreements related to Southern Company's continuous equity offering program and received cash proceeds of \$167 million, net of \$1.7 million in fees and commissions. The proceeds were primarily used to fund ongoing construction projects, to repay short-term and long-term indebtedness, and for general corporate purposes. In July 2009, Gulf Power entered into a forward starting interest rate swap to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The notional amount of the swap is \$50 million, and the swap has been designated as a cash flow hedge.

In July 2009, Southern Company used a portion of the cash received from the early termination of two leveraged lease investments to extinguish \$252.7 million of debt which included all debt related to leveraged lease investments and to pay make-whole redemption premiums of \$17.2 million associated with such debt.

In August 2009, Georgia Power redeemed its \$55 million of Series D 5.50% Senior Insured Quarterly Notes due November 15, 2017.

In August 2009, Georgia Power's \$125 million Series V 4.10% Senior Notes due August 15, 2009 matured.

In August 2009, Alabama Power's \$250 million Series BB Floating Rate Senior Notes due August 25, 2009 matured. Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Southern Company issued \$300 million of Series 2009B Floating Rate Senior Notes due October 21, 2011. The proceeds were used to repay short-term indebtedness and other general corporate purposes.

Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Georgia Power and Gulf Power entered into forward starting interest rate swaps to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The notional amounts of the swaps totaled \$200 million and \$50 million, respectively, and the swaps have been designated as cash flow hedges.

In addition to any financings that may be necessary to meet capital requirements and contractual obligations, Southern Company and its subsidiaries plan to continue, when economically feasible, a program to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit.

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**Item 3. Quantitative And Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Market Price Risk herein for each registrant and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Southern Company, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. Also, see Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for information relating to derivative instruments.

**Item 4. Controls and Procedures.**

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

As of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report, Southern Company conducted an evaluation under the supervision and with the participation of Southern Company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Sections 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon this evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

(b) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting.

There have been no changes in Southern Company's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Sections 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during the third quarter 2009 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect Southern Company's internal control over financial reporting.

**Item 4T. Controls and Procedures.**

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures.

As of the end of the period covered by this quarterly report, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Power conducted separate evaluations under the supervision and with the participation of each company's management, including the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Sections 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). Based upon these evaluations, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer, in each case, concluded that the disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

(b) Changes in internal controls over financial reporting.

There have been no changes in Alabama Power's, Georgia Power's, Gulf Power's, Mississippi Power's, or Southern Power's internal control over financial reporting (as such term is defined in Sections 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) during the third quarter 2009 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect Alabama Power's, Georgia Power's, Gulf Power's, Mississippi Power's, or Southern Power's internal control over financial reporting.

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Retail revenues	<b>\$ 1,342,665</b>	\$ 1,559,034	<b>\$ 3,520,408</b>	\$ 3,741,074
Wholesale revenues, non-affiliates	<b>170,573</b>	196,381	<b>483,180</b>	536,392
Wholesale revenues, affiliates	<b>34,042</b>	60,583	<b>170,887</b>	240,696
Other revenues	<b>44,876</b>	49,084	<b>123,963</b>	153,412
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>1,592,156</b>	1,865,082	<b>4,298,438</b>	4,671,574
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	<b>506,376</b>	651,673	<b>1,437,095</b>	1,628,170
Purchased power, non-affiliates	<b>42,915</b>	104,238	<b>84,582</b>	153,907
Purchased power, affiliates	<b>73,966</b>	121,651	<b>172,096</b>	286,147
Other operations and maintenance	<b>272,118</b>	300,967	<b>827,275</b>	917,060
Depreciation and amortization	<b>136,784</b>	132,410	<b>406,687</b>	387,677
Taxes other than income taxes	<b>77,353</b>	76,200	<b>239,673</b>	227,585
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>1,109,512</b>	1,387,139	<b>3,167,408</b>	3,600,546
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>482,644</b>	477,943	<b>1,131,030</b>	1,071,028
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	<b>21,053</b>	11,730	<b>56,931</b>	32,269
Interest income	<b>4,419</b>	4,794	<b>12,689</b>	13,694
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	<b>(75,817)</b>	(71,165)	<b>(224,792)</b>	(209,787)
Other income (expense), net	<b>(6,714)</b>	(5,732)	<b>(17,577)</b>	(19,661)
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(57,059)</b>	(60,373)	<b>(172,749)</b>	(183,485)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>425,585</b>	417,570	<b>958,281</b>	887,543
Income taxes	<b>154,050</b>	156,109	<b>344,416</b>	323,335
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>271,535</b>	261,461	<b>613,865</b>	564,208
<b>Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>9,866</b>	9,866	<b>29,598</b>	29,598
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 261,669</b>	\$ 251,595	<b>\$ 584,267</b>	\$ 534,610

**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008

	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 261,669</b>	\$ 251,595	<b>\$ 584,267</b>	\$ 534,610
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Qualifying hedges:				
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(187), \$50, \$(1,773), and \$(989), respectively	<b>(307)</b>	83	<b>(2,916)</b>	(1,627)
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$1,217, \$82, \$3,456, and \$710, respectively	<b>2,002</b>	135	<b>5,685</b>	1,168
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>1,695</b>	218	<b>2,769</b>	(459)
<b>Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>\$ 263,364</b>	\$ 251,813	<b>\$ 587,036</b>	\$ 534,151

The accompanying notes as they relate to Alabama Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 613,865	\$ 564,208
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	474,250	451,182
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits, net	(32,333)	109,459
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(56,931)	(32,269)
Pension, postretirement, and other employee benefits	(2,955)	(133)
Stock option expense	3,475	2,822
Tax benefit of stock options	79	641
Other, net	25,223	22,717
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	232,890	(92,774)
-Fossil fuel stock	(20,609)	(61,753)
-Materials and supplies	(22,783)	(19,915)
-Other current assets	(43,436)	(33,840)
-Accounts payable	(197,357)	(62,186)
-Accrued taxes	168,493	92,749
-Accrued compensation	(46,583)	(27,786)
-Other current liabilities	70,111	22,248
Net cash provided from operating activities	<b>1,165,399</b>	935,370
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(896,913)	(1,024,668)
Investment in restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	(340)	(5,454)
Distribution of restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	39,866	24,585
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund purchases	(177,639)	(218,606)
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund sales	177,639	218,606
Cost of removal, net of salvage	(21,419)	(33,579)
Other investing activities	10,342	(26,839)
Net cash used for investing activities	<b>(868,464)</b>	(1,065,955)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Increase (decrease) in notes payable, net	(24,995)	94,891
Proceeds		
Common stock issued to parent	135,000	225,000
Capital contributions from parent company	17,177	15,095
Gross excess tax benefit of stock options	173	1,226
Pollution control revenue bonds	53,000	131,100
Senior notes issuances	500,000	600,000

Redemptions		
Preferred stock		(125,000)
Pollution control revenue bonds		(11,100)
Senior notes	(250,000)	(250,000)
Payment of preferred and preference stock dividends	(29,602)	(31,024)
Payment of common stock dividends	(392,100)	(368,475)
Other financing activities	(2,647)	(6,467)
Net cash provided from financing activities	6,006	275,246
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>302,941</b>	144,661
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>28,181</b>	73,616
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 331,122</b>	<b>\$ 218,277</b>

**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for		
Interest (net of \$23,813 and \$14,649 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively)	\$ 190,014	\$ 183,218
Income taxes (net of refunds)	\$ 274,486	\$ 197,907

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**CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 331,122	\$ 28,181
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	40,554	80,079
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	422,926	350,410
Unbilled revenues	122,056	98,921
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues	31,949	153,899
Other accounts and notes receivable	30,210	44,645
Affiliated companies	58,844	70,612
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(9,891)	(8,882)
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	337,873	322,089
Materials and supplies, at average cost	326,964	305,880
Vacation pay	52,949	52,577
Prepaid expenses	130,487	88,219
Other regulatory assets, current	42,121	74,825
Other current assets	14,726	12,915
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>1,932,890</b>	<b>1,674,370</b>
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	18,078,745	17,635,129
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	6,516,289	6,259,720
Plant in service, net of depreciation	11,562,456	11,375,409
Nuclear fuel, at amortized cost	231,110	231,862
Construction work in progress	1,474,821	1,092,516
<b>Total property, plant, and equipment</b>	<b>13,268,387</b>	<b>12,699,787</b>
<b>Other Property and Investments:</b>		
Equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	58,469	50,912
Nuclear decommissioning trusts, at fair value	465,208	403,966
Miscellaneous property and investments	68,488	62,782
<b>Total other property and investments</b>	<b>592,165</b>	<b>517,660</b>
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	390,240	362,596
Prepaid pension costs	197,172	166,334
Deferred under recovered regulatory clause revenues		180,874
Other regulatory assets, deferred	690,530	732,367



Other deferred charges and assets	<b>198,898</b>	202,018
Total deferred charges and other assets	<b>1,476,840</b>	1,644,189
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 17,270,282</b>	\$ 16,536,006

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**CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Securities due within one year	\$	\$ 250,079
Notes payable		24,995
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	<b>166,865</b>	178,708
Other	<b>210,348</b>	358,176
Customer deposits	<b>85,242</b>	77,205
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	<b>95,262</b>	18,299
Other accrued taxes	<b>96,857</b>	30,372
Accrued interest	<b>69,985</b>	56,375
Accrued vacation pay	<b>44,217</b>	44,217
Accrued compensation	<b>54,687</b>	91,856
Liabilities from risk management activities	<b>48,780</b>	83,873
Other regulatory liabilities, current	<b>56,616</b>	3,462
Other current liabilities	<b>40,140</b>	50,315
Total current liabilities	<b>968,999</b>	1,267,932
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	<b>6,156,960</b>	5,604,791
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	<b>2,281,537</b>	2,243,117
Deferred credits related to income taxes	<b>88,961</b>	90,083
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	<b>166,683</b>	172,638
Employee benefit obligations	<b>417,991</b>	396,923
Asset retirement obligations	<b>483,465</b>	461,284
Other cost of removal obligations	<b>667,655</b>	634,792
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	<b>112,111</b>	79,151
Other deferred credits and liabilities	<b>35,654</b>	45,857
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	<b>4,254,057</b>	4,123,845
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>11,380,016</b>	10,996,568
<b>Redeemable Preferred Stock</b>	<b>341,716</b>	341,716
<b>Preference Stock</b>	<b>343,412</b>	343,412
<b>Common Stockholder's Equity:</b>		
Common stock, par value \$40 per share		

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Authorized - 40,000,000 shares		
Outstanding - September 30, 2009: 28,850,000 shares		
- December 31, 2008: 25,475,000 shares	<b>1,154,000</b>	1,019,000
Paid-in capital	<b>2,112,359</b>	2,091,462
Retained earnings	<b>1,945,959</b>	1,753,797
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<b>(7,180)</b>	(9,949)
Total common stockholder s equity	<b>5,205,138</b>	4,854,310
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder s Equity</b>	<b>\$ 17,270,282</b>	\$ 16,536,006

The accompanying notes as they relate to Alabama Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**AND**  
**YEAR-TO-DATE 2009 vs. YEAR-TO-DATE 2008**

**OVERVIEW**

Alabama Power operates as a vertically integrated utility providing electricity to retail customers within its traditional service area located within the State of Alabama and to wholesale customers in the Southeast. Many factors affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Alabama Power's primary business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment, to maintain energy sales in the midst of the current economic downturn, and to effectively manage and secure timely recovery of rising costs. These costs include those related to projected long-term demand growth, increasingly stringent environmental standards, fuel prices, capital expenditures, and restoration following major storms. Appropriately balancing the need to recover these increasing costs with customer prices will continue to challenge Alabama Power for the foreseeable future.

Alabama Power continues to focus on several key performance indicators. These indicators include customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock. For additional information on these indicators, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OVERVIEW - Key Performance Indicators of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*****Net Income***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

*(change in millions)**(% change)**(change in millions)**(% change)*

\$10.1

4.0

\$49.7

9.3

Alabama Power's financial performance remained stable in the third quarter 2009 despite the continued challenges of a recessionary economy. Alabama Power's net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock for the third quarter 2009 was \$261.7 million compared to \$251.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to the corrective rate package providing for adjustments associated with customer charges to certain existing rate structures effective in January 2009, a decrease in other operations and maintenance expense, and an increase in allowance for equity funds used during construction (AFUDC). The increase was partially offset by an overall decline in base revenues attributable to a decline in KWH sales, resulting from a recessionary economy and unfavorable weather conditions.

Alabama Power's net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock for year-to-date 2009 was \$584.3 million compared to \$534.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to a decrease in other operations and maintenance expense, an increase in AFUDC, and an overall increase in base revenues resulting from a corrective rate package that began in January 2009, offset by a decline in KWH sales resulting from a recessionary economy and unfavorable weather conditions.

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**Retail Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(216.4)	(13.9)	\$(220.7)	(5.9)

In the third quarter 2009, retail revenues were \$1.34 billion compared to \$1.56 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, retail revenues were \$3.52 billion compared to \$3.74 billion for the corresponding period in 2008.

Details of the change to retail revenues are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Retail prior year	\$1,559.0		\$3,741.1	
Estimated change in				
Rates and pricing	36.7	2.4	127.1	3.4
Sales growth (decline)	(30.6)	(2.0)	(103.5)	(2.8)
Weather	(17.1)	(1.1)	(14.4)	(0.4)
Fuel and other cost recovery	(205.3)	(13.2)	(229.9)	(6.1)
Retail current year	\$1,342.7	(13.9)%	\$3,520.4	(5.9)%

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing increased in the third quarter 2009 and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 primarily due to the corrective rate package increase effective January 2009, which mainly provided for adjustments associated with customer charges to certain existing rate structures. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - Retail Rate Adjustments of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Retail Regulatory Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 due to a recessionary economy. Industrial KWH energy sales decreased 11.9% due to a decline in demand across all industrial segments, most significantly in the chemical, forest products, and primary metal sectors. The weather-adjusted residential KWH energy sales decline was not material. Weather-adjusted commercial KWH energy sales decreased 3.2% due to a decline in customer demand resulting from a recessionary economy.

For year-to-date 2009, revenues attributable to changes in sales declined due to a recessionary economy when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Industrial KWH energy sales decreased 19.2% due to a decline in demand across all industrial segments, most significantly in the chemical, forest products, and primary metal sectors. Weather-adjusted residential and commercial KWH energy sales decreased 1.5% and 2.3%, respectively, driven by a decline in customer demand.

Revenues resulting from changes in weather decreased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 due to unfavorable weather conditions compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

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Fuel and other cost recovery revenues decreased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 primarily due to decreases in fuel costs. Electric rates include provisions to recognize the full recovery of fuel costs, purchased power costs, PPAs certificated by the Alabama PSC, and costs associated with the natural disaster reserve. Under these provisions, fuel and other cost recovery revenues generally equal fuel and other cost recovery expenses and do not impact net income.

**Wholesale Revenues - Non-Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(25.8)	(13.1)	\$(53.2)	(9.9)

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy compared to the cost of Alabama Power and Southern Company system-owned generation, demand for energy within the Southern Company service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$170.6 million compared to \$196.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 9.1% reduction in the price of energy and a 4.4% decrease in KWH sales primarily caused by the recessionary economy.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$483.2 million compared to \$536.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 6.6% reduction in the price of energy and a 3.6% decrease in KWH sales primarily caused by the recessionary economy.

**Wholesale Revenues - Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(26.6)	(43.8)	\$(69.8)	(29.0)

Wholesale revenues from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These affiliate sales are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC. These transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since the energy is generally sold at marginal cost.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$34.0 million compared to \$60.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 60.4% decrease in fuel prices, partially offset by a 41.8% increase in KWH sales.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$170.9 million compared to \$240.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 41.0% decrease in fuel prices, partially offset by a 20.4% increase in KWH sales.

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**Other Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(4.2)	(8.6)	\$(29.4)	(19.2)

In the third quarter 2009, the decrease in other revenues when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, other revenues were \$124.0 million compared to \$153.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$39.6 million decrease in revenues from gas-fueled co-generation steam facilities resulting from lower gas prices and a decline in sales volume, partially offset by a \$7.3 million increase in customer charges related to late fees.

Co-generation steam fuel revenues do not have a significant impact on earnings since they are generally offset by fuel expenses.

**Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses**

	Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Fuel*	\$(145.3)	(22.3)	\$(191.1)	(11.7)
Purchased power non-affiliates	(61.3)	(58.8)	(69.3)	(45.0)
Purchased power affiliates	(47.7)	(39.2)	(114.0)	(39.9)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$(254.3)		\$(374.4)	

\* Fuel includes fuel purchased by Alabama Power for tolling agreements where power is generated by the provider and is included in purchased power when determining the average cost of purchased power.

In the third quarter 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$623.3 million compared to \$877.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$145.7 million decrease in the cost of energy primarily resulting from a decrease in the average cost of purchased power and natural gas and \$108.6 million decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased.

For year-to-date 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$1.69 billion compared to \$2.07 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$262.1 million decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased and a \$112.3 million decrease in the cost of energy primarily resulting from a decrease in the average cost of purchased power and natural gas.

Fuel and purchased power transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since energy expenses are generally offset by energy revenues through Rate ECR. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC and Alabama PSC Matters Retail Fuel Cost Recovery herein for additional information.

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Details of Alabama Power's cost of generation and purchased power are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Third Quarter 2008	Percent Change	Year-to-Date 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Year-to-Date 2008	Percent Change
Average Cost						
Fuel	2.80	3.29	(14.9)	2.83	2.88	(1.7)
Purchased power	6.45	9.21	(30.0)	6.23	7.95	(21.6)

In the third quarter 2009, fuel expense was \$506.4 million compared to \$651.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a 40.8% and 8.2% decrease in the average cost of KWHs generated by natural gas and coal, respectively. Lower natural gas prices and an increase in hydro generation resulted in a decrease in the KWHs generated by coal and an increase in the KWHs generated by natural gas.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel expense was \$1.44 billion compared to \$1.63 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related a 39.3% decrease in the average cost of KWHs generated by natural gas and a 10.1% increase the average cost of KWHs generated by coal. Lower natural gas prices and an increase in hydro generation resulted in a decrease in the KWHs generated by coal and an increase in the KWHs generated by natural gas.

*Non-Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$42.9 million compared to \$104.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related to a 58.0% volume decrease in the KWHs purchased primarily caused by reduced demand due to the recessionary economy.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$84.6 million compared to \$153.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was related to a 26.7% decrease in KWHs purchased primarily caused by reduced demand due to the recessionary economy and a 25.0% decrease in price.

Energy purchases from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy being lower than the cost of Southern Company system-generated energy, demand for energy within the Southern Company system service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation.

*Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$74.0 million compared to \$121.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was related to a 22.0% decrease in the amount of energy purchased and a 22.0% decrease in price.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$172.1 million compared to \$286.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was related to a 28.6% decrease in the amount of energy purchased and a 15.8% decrease in price.

Energy purchases from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These purchases are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC.



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**Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(28.9)	(9.6)	\$(89.8)	(9.8)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$272.1 million compared to \$301.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was a result of a \$7.0 million decrease in transmission and distribution expenses related to a reduction in overhead line clearing costs and labor, a \$6.8 million decrease in nuclear expense related to a reduction in contract labor and material expenses, a \$4.6 million decrease in steam power expense related to fewer scheduled outages, a \$3.9 million decrease in administrative and general expenses related to a reduction in the injuries and damages reserve, partially offset by an increase in affiliated service company expenses, and a \$2.1 million decrease in customer service expenses.

For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$827.3 million compared to \$917.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was a result of a \$46.4 million decrease in steam power expense related to reduction in contract labor and fewer scheduled outages, a \$22.0 million decrease in transmission and distribution expenses related to a reduction in overhead line clearing and labor, and an \$11.0 million decrease in administrative and general expenses related to reductions in the injuries and damages reserve, and post retirement medical expense, partially offset by an increase in pension expenses.

**Depreciation and Amortization**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$4.4	3.3	\$19.0	5.0

In the third quarter 2009, the increase in depreciation and amortization when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$406.7 million compared to \$387.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was the result of an increase in property, plant, and equipment primarily related to environmental mandates and transmission and distribution projects.

On June 25, 2009, Alabama Power submitted an offer of settlement and stipulation to the FERC relating to the 2008 depreciation study that was filed in October 2008. The settlement offer withdraws the requests for authorization to use updated depreciation rates. In lieu of the new rates, Alabama Power will use those depreciation rates employed prior and up to January 1, 2009 that were previously approved by the FERC. On September 30, 2009, the FERC issued an order approving the settlement offer.

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS RESULTS OF OPERATIONS Depreciation and Amortization of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

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**Taxes Other Than Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$1.2	1.5	\$12.1	5.3

In the third quarter 2009, the increase in taxes other than income taxes when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, taxes other than income taxes were \$239.7 million compared to \$227.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to increases in state and municipal public utility license tax bases.

**Allowance for Equity Funds Used During Construction**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$9.4	79.5	\$24.6	76.4

In the third quarter 2009, AFUDC was \$21.1 million compared to \$11.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, AFUDC was \$56.9 million compared to \$32.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to increases in the amount of construction work in progress at generating facilities related to environmental mandates.

**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$4.7	6.5	\$15.0	7.2

In the third quarter 2009, the increase in interest expense, net of amounts capitalized when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$224.8 million compared to \$209.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to the issuance of additional long-term debt, partially offset by additional capitalized interest. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Financing Activities of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K and FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Financing Activities herein for additional information.

**Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(2.0)	(1.3)	\$21.1	6.5

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$154.1 million compared to \$156.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to the increase in non-taxable AFUDC and the manufacturer's deduction,

partially offset by higher pre-tax income and actualization of the 2008 income tax return.

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For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$344.4 million compared to \$323.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to higher pre-tax income, partially offset by the increase in non-taxable AFUDC.

**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Alabama Power's future earnings potential. The level of Alabama Power's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Alabama Power's primary business of selling electricity. These factors include Alabama Power's ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs. Future earnings in the near term will depend, in part, upon maintaining energy sales, which is subject to a number of factors. These factors include weather, competition, new energy contracts with neighboring utilities, energy conservation practiced by customers, the price of electricity, the price elasticity of demand, and the rate of economic growth or decline in Alabama Power's service area. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted sales and are expected to continue to have a negative impact, particularly to industrial and commercial customers. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings.

For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**Environmental Matters**

Compliance costs related to the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations could affect earnings if such costs cannot continue to be fully recovered in rates on a timely basis. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Environmental Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

*New York Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs' claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

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*Kivalina Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

*Air Quality*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Environmental Statutes and Regulations - Air Quality of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the eight-hour ozone standard. On September 16, 2009, the EPA announced that it would reconsider its March 2008 decision regarding the eight-hour ozone standard, potentially resulting in a more stringent standard and designation of additional nonattainment areas within Alabama Power's service territory. The EPA is expected to propose any revisions to the standard by December 2009 and issue a final decision by August 2010. The impact of a more stringent standard will depend on the proposed and final regulations and resolution of any legal challenges and cannot be determined at this time.

*Water Quality*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Environmental Statutes and Regulations - Water Quality of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the EPA's regulation of cooling water intake structures. On April 1, 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit's decision with respect to the rule's use of cost-benefit analysis and held that the EPA could consider costs in arriving at its standards and in providing variances from those standards for existing power plant cooling water intake structures. Other aspects of the court's decision were not appealed and remain unaffected by the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling. While the U.S. Supreme Court's decision may ultimately result in greater flexibility for demonstrating compliance with the standards, the full scope of the regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rule's implementation, and the actual requirements established by state regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

*Global Climate Issues*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Global Climate Issues of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA

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published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on Alabama Power's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future unit retirement and replacement decisions and results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

**FERC and Alabama PSC Matters*****Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - FERC Matters - Market-Based Rate Authority of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under FERC Matters - Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

***Retail Fuel Cost Recovery***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - Retail Fuel Cost Recovery of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Retail Regulatory Matters - Fuel Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding Alabama Power's fuel cost recovery. Alabama Power's over recovered fuel costs as of September 30, 2009 totaled \$54.9 million as compared to under recovered fuel costs of \$305.8 million at December 31, 2008. These over recovered fuel costs at September 30, 2009 are included in other regulatory liabilities, current on Alabama Power's Condensed Balance Sheets herein. This classification is based on an

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estimate which includes such factors as weather, generation availability, energy demand, and the price of energy. A change in any of these factors could have a material impact on the timing of any return of the over recovered fuel costs.

On June 2, 2009, the Alabama PSC approved a decrease in Alabama Power's Rate ECR factor from 3.983 cents per KWH to 3.733 cents per KWH for billings beginning June 9, 2009 through October 8, 2010, which will have no significant effect on Alabama Power's revenues or net income, but will decrease annual cash flow. Thereafter, the Rate ECR factor will be 5.910 cents per KWH, absent a contrary order by the Alabama PSC. Rate ECR revenues, as recorded on the financial statements, are adjusted for differences in actual recoverable fuel costs and amounts billed in current regulated rates. Alabama Power will be allowed to include a carrying charge associated with under recovered fuel costs in the fuel expense calculation. When the Rate ECR factor results in an over recovered position, Alabama Power will accrue interest on any such over recovered balance at the same rate used to derive the carrying cost.

***Natural Disaster Cost Recovery***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - Natural Disaster Cost Recovery of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Retail Regulatory Matters - Natural Disaster Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding natural disaster cost recovery. At September 30, 2009, Alabama Power had accumulated a balance of \$34.0 million in the target reserve for future storms, which is included in the Condensed Balance Sheets herein under Other Regulatory Liabilities.

***Steam Service***

On February 5, 2009, the Alabama PSC granted a Certificate of Abandonment of Steam Service in the downtown area of the City of Birmingham. The order allows Alabama Power to discontinue steam service by the earlier of three years from May 14, 2008 or when it has no remaining steam service customers. Currently, Alabama Power has contractual obligations to provide steam service until 2013. Impacts related to the abandonment of steam service are recognized in operating income and are not material to the earnings of Alabama Power.

***Legislation***

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives, which could have a significant impact on the future cash flow and net income of Alabama Power. Alabama Power estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be between approximately \$75 million and \$90 million. On October 27, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries received notice that an award of \$165 million had been granted, of which \$65 million relates to Alabama Power, under its ARRA grant application for transmission and distribution automation and modernization projects pending final negotiations. Alabama Power continues to assess the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

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**Other Matters**

Alabama Power is involved in various other matters being litigated and regulatory matters that could affect future earnings. In addition, Alabama Power is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Alabama Power's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against Alabama Power cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Alabama Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Alabama Power's financial statements.

See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Alabama Power prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Alabama Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Alabama Power's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in the financial statements. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ACCOUNTING POLICIES Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Alabama Power's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Electric Utility Regulation, Contingent Obligations, and Unbilled Revenues.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Alabama Power is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.



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**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Alabama Power's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Alabama Power has maintained adequate access to capital without drawing on any of its committed bank credit arrangements used to support its commercial paper programs and variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Alabama Power intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Alabama Power has been and expects to continue to be subject to higher costs as its existing facilities are replaced or renewed. Total committed credit fees currently average less than 1/4 of 1% per year for Alabama Power. Alabama Power's interest cost for short-term debt has decreased as market short-term interest rates have declined from 2008 levels. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. Alabama Power experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. See Sources of Capital and Financing Activities herein for additional information.

Alabama Power's investments in pension and nuclear decommissioning trust funds remained stable during the third quarter 2009. Alabama Power expects that the earliest that cash may have to be contributed to the pension trust fund is 2012. The projections of the amount vary significantly depending on key variables including future trust fund performance and cannot be determined at this time. Alabama Power does not expect any changes to the funding obligations to the nuclear decommissioning trust at this time.

Net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$1.2 billion for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$935.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$230.0 million increase in cash provided from operating activities was primarily due to an increase in net income, as previously discussed, and a decrease in receivables attributable to collections of under recovered regulatory clauses. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$868.5 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$1.1 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$197.5 million decrease was primarily due to a decline in gross property additions related to steam generation equipment and purchases of nuclear fuel, partially offset by increased construction of distribution facilities. Net cash provided from financing activities totaled \$6.0 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$275.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$269.2 million decrease was primarily due to fewer issuances of securities and a decrease of notes payable, partially offset by fewer redemptions of securities in the first nine months of 2009 as compared to the first nine months of 2008. Fluctuations in cash flow from financing activities vary from year-to-year based on capital needs and the maturity or redemption of securities.

Significant balance sheet changes for the first nine months of 2009 include an increase of \$302.9 million in cash and cash equivalents, an increase of \$443.6 million in gross plant primarily due to increases in environmental mandates and transmission and distribution projects, and an increase of \$382.3 million in construction work in progress.

Long-term debt increased \$552.2 million.

**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Alabama Power's capital requirements for its construction program, scheduled maturities of long-term debt, as well as the related interest, derivative obligations, preferred and preference stock dividends, leases, purchase commitments, and trust funding requirements. There are no maturities of long-term debt required

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through September 30, 2010. The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of numerous factors. These factors include: changes in business conditions; changes in load projections; changes in environmental statutes and regulations; changes in nuclear plants to meet new regulatory requirements; changes in FERC rules and regulations; Alabama PSC approvals; changes in legislation; the cost and efficiency of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital. In addition, there can be no assurance that costs related to capital expenditures will be fully recovered.

**Sources of Capital**

Alabama Power plans to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes from sources similar to those utilized in the past. Recently, Alabama Power has primarily utilized funds from operating cash flows, unsecured debt, common stock, preferred stock, and preference stock. However, the amount, type, and timing of any future financings, if needed, will depend upon regulatory approval, prevailing market conditions, and other factors. See **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital** of Alabama Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Alabama Power's current liabilities sometimes exceed current assets because of Alabama Power's debt due within one year and the periodic use of short-term debt as a funding source primarily to meet scheduled maturities of long-term debt as well as cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business. To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, Alabama Power had at September 30, 2009 cash and cash equivalents of approximately \$331 million, unused committed lines of credit of approximately \$1.3 billion, and commercial paper programs. The credit facilities provide liquidity support to Alabama Power's commercial paper borrowings and \$582 million are dedicated to funding purchase obligations related to variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Of the unused credit facilities, \$20 million will expire in 2009, \$461 million will expire in 2010, \$25 million will expire in 2011, and \$765 million will expire in 2012. Of the facilities that expire in 2009 and 2010, \$372 million allow for one-year term loans. Alabama Power expects to renew its credit facilities, as needed, prior to expiration. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under **Bank Credit Arrangements** in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under **Bank Credit Arrangements** herein for additional information. Alabama Power may also meet short-term cash needs through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper at the request and for the benefit of Alabama Power and other Southern Company subsidiaries. At September 30, 2009, Alabama Power had no commercial paper outstanding and no outstanding borrowings under its committed lines of credit. Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing commercial paper programs, lines of credit, and cash.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Alabama Power does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change to BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are primarily for physical electricity purchases, fuel purchases, fuel transportation and storage, emissions allowances, and energy price risk management. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$11 million. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$318 million. Included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or

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cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Alabama Power's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market.

**Market Price Risk**

Alabama Power's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Alabama Power is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposures on existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined.

Due to cost-based rate regulation, Alabama Power continues to have limited exposure to market volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, Alabama Power enters into physical fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market. Alabama Power continues to manage a retail fuel-hedging program implemented per the guidelines of the Alabama PSC. As such, Alabama Power has no material change in market risk exposure when compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period.

The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(91.5)	\$ (91.9)
Contracts realized or settled	41.6	105.5
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	2.9	(60.6)
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(47.0)	\$ (47.0)

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The increases in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were \$44 million and \$45 million, respectively, substantially all of which is due to natural gas positions. These changes are attributable to both the volume and prices of natural gas. At September 30, 2009, Alabama Power had a net hedge volume of 40 million mmBtu with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.17 per mmBtu above market prices, compared to 49 million mmBtu at June 30, 2009 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.89 per mmBtu above market prices and compared to 45 million mmBtu at December 31, 2008 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$2.12 per mmBtu above market prices. The majority of the natural gas hedge settlements are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clauses.

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At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Regulatory hedges	\$(47.0)	\$ (91.9)
Cash flow hedges		
Not designated		
Total fair value	\$(47.0)	\$ (91.9)

Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate to Alabama Power's fuel hedging program where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as they are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clauses. Certain other gains and losses on energy-related derivatives, designated as cash flow hedges, are initially deferred in OCI before being recognized in income in the same period as the hedged transaction. Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Unrealized pre-tax gains and losses recognized in income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were not material.

The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	<b>Fair Value Measurements</b>			
	Total	Maturity		
	Fair Value	Year 1	Years 2&3	Years 4&5
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	(47.0)	(40.3)	(6.7)	
Level 3				
Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period	\$(47.0)	\$(40.3)	\$(6.7)	\$

Alabama Power uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY - Market Price Risk of Alabama Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Alabama Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.

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**Financing Activities**

In March 2009, Alabama Power issued \$500 million of Series 2009A 6.00% Senior Notes due March 1, 2039. The proceeds were used to repay short-term indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes, including Alabama Power's continuous construction program.

In June 2009, Alabama Power incurred obligations related to the issuance of \$53 million of The Industrial Development Board of the City of Mobile Pollution Control Revenue Bonds (Alabama Power Barry Plant Project), First Series 2009. The proceeds were used to fund pollution control and environmental improvement facilities at Plant Barry.

In July 2009, Alabama Power issued 3,375,000 shares of common stock to Southern Company at \$40 a share (\$135 million aggregate purchase price). The proceeds were used for general corporate purposes.

In August 2009, Alabama Power's \$250 million Series BB Floating Rate Senior Notes due August 25, 2009 matured. Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Alabama Power issued 1,687,500 shares of common stock to Southern Company at \$40 a share (\$67.5 million aggregate purchase price). The proceeds were used for general corporate purposes.

In addition to any financings that may be necessary to meet capital requirements and contractual obligations, Alabama Power plans to continue, when economically feasible, a program to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit.

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Retail revenues	<b>\$ 2,093,503</b>	\$ 2,317,817	<b>\$ 5,368,123</b>	\$ 5,723,577
Wholesale revenues, non-affiliates	<b>108,521</b>	148,933	<b>301,077</b>	443,901
Wholesale revenues, affiliates	<b>53,687</b>	106,659	<b>98,520</b>	252,733
Other revenues	<b>71,477</b>	70,836	<b>199,623</b>	200,043
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>2,327,188</b>	2,644,245	<b>5,967,343</b>	6,620,254
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	<b>830,283</b>	859,778	<b>2,083,662</b>	2,181,000
Purchased power, non-affiliates	<b>86,450</b>	192,293	<b>219,220</b>	358,047
Purchased power, affiliates	<b>158,864</b>	247,845	<b>528,505</b>	748,622
Other operations and maintenance	<b>358,821</b>	379,314	<b>1,102,876</b>	1,139,910
Depreciation and amortization	<b>122,740</b>	162,325	<b>464,931</b>	472,137
Taxes other than income taxes	<b>86,620</b>	91,587	<b>243,876</b>	242,358
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>1,643,778</b>	1,933,142	<b>4,643,070</b>	5,142,074
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>683,410</b>	711,103	<b>1,324,273</b>	1,478,180
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	<b>23,200</b>	20,887	<b>66,267</b>	72,625
Interest income	<b>611</b>	1,416	<b>1,644</b>	3,253
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	<b>(95,309)</b>	(86,201)	<b>(293,124)</b>	(256,266)
Other income (expense), net	<b>(4,127)</b>	(3,671)	<b>(8,316)</b>	(5,593)
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(75,625)</b>	(67,569)	<b>(233,529)</b>	(185,981)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>607,785</b>	643,534	<b>1,090,744</b>	1,292,199
Income taxes	<b>215,720</b>	237,358	<b>378,030</b>	453,438
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>392,065</b>	406,176	<b>712,714</b>	838,761
<b>Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>4,345</b>	4,345	<b>13,036</b>	13,036
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 387,720</b>	\$ 401,831	<b>\$ 699,678</b>	\$ 825,725

**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008

	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 387,720</b>	\$ 401,831	<b>\$ 699,678</b>	\$ 825,725
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Qualifying hedges:				
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(430), \$(874), \$(156), and \$(890), respectively	<b>(682)</b>	(1,386)	<b>(247)</b>	(1,410)
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$2,350, \$574, \$6,520, and \$1,269, respectively	<b>3,725</b>	911	<b>10,336</b>	2,012
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>3,043</b>	(475)	<b>10,089</b>	602
<b>Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>\$ 390,763</b>	\$ 401,356	<b>\$ 709,767</b>	\$ 826,327

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 712,714	\$ 838,761
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	566,741	561,986
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits	111,035	97,752
Deferred revenues	(37,210)	96,521
Deferred expenses	(39,570)	(26,325)
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(66,267)	(72,625)
Pension, postretirement, and other employee benefits	16,713	35,067
Hedge settlements	(16,167)	(20,486)
Insurance cash surrender value	22,381	(73)
Other, net	21,131	(14,926)
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	3,648	(284,992)
-Fossil fuel stock	(245,777)	5,302
-Prepaid income taxes	(20,694)	5,185
-Other current assets	505	(19,982)
-Accounts payable	40,719	(51,661)
-Accrued taxes	131,432	151,112
-Accrued compensation	(105,097)	(18,839)
-Other current liabilities	35,575	30,285
Net cash provided from operating activities	1,131,812	1,312,062
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(1,778,030)	(1,419,885)
Distribution of restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	22,077	22,197
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund purchases	(889,049)	(362,565)
Nuclear decommissioning trust fund sales	841,763	355,685
Nuclear decommissioning trust securities lending collateral	43,824	
Cost of removal, net of salvage	(41,709)	(29,798)
Change in construction payables, net of joint owner portion	45,828	(22,264)
Other investing activities	7,519	(30,543)
Net cash used for investing activities	(1,747,777)	(1,487,173)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Increase (decrease) in notes payable, net	(103,634)	172,789
Proceeds		
Capital contributions from parent company	923,840	259,750
Pollution control revenue bonds issuances	416,510	94,935

Senior notes issuances	<b>500,000</b>	500,000
Other long-term debt issuances	<b>1,100</b>	300,000
Redemptions		
Pollution control revenue bonds	<b>(327,310)</b>	(118,555)
Senior notes	<b>(332,841)</b>	(122,427)
Payment of preferred and preference stock dividends	<b>(13,121)</b>	(12,668)
Payment of common stock dividends	<b>(554,175)</b>	(540,900)
Other financing activities	<b>(12,674)</b>	(9,357)
Net cash provided from financing activities	<b>497,695</b>	523,567
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>(118,270)</b>	348,456
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>132,739</b>	15,392
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 14,469</b>	\$ 363,848

**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for

Interest (net of \$28,443 and \$30,112 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively)

\$ 239,290 \$ 216,572

Income taxes (net of refunds)

\$ 115,436 \$ 228,792

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CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 14,469	\$ 132,739
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	4,729	22,381
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	618,710	554,219
Unbilled revenues	186,742	147,978
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues	352,978	338,780
Joint owner accounts receivable	64,690	43,858
Other accounts and notes receivable	56,068	54,041
Affiliated companies	9,103	13,091
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(13,927)	(10,732)
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	730,535	484,757
Materials and supplies, at average cost	364,685	356,537
Vacation pay	65,898	71,217
Prepaid income taxes	130,682	65,987
Other regulatory assets, current	89,596	118,961
Other current assets	115,782	63,464
Total current assets	2,790,740	2,457,278
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	25,024,035	23,975,262
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	9,426,743	9,101,474
Plant in service, net of depreciation	15,597,292	14,873,788
Nuclear fuel, at amortized cost	305,081	278,412
Construction work in progress	2,044,835	1,434,989
Total property, plant, and equipment	17,947,208	16,587,189
<b>Other Property and Investments:</b>		
Equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	64,809	57,163
Nuclear decommissioning trusts, at fair value	594,954	460,430
Miscellaneous property and investments	38,673	40,945
Total other property and investments	698,436	558,538
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	594,974	572,528
Deferred under recovered regulatory clause revenues	317,780	425,609
Other regulatory assets, deferred	1,285,487	1,449,352

Other deferred charges and assets	<b>197,428</b>	265,174
Total deferred charges and other assets	<b>2,395,669</b>	2,712,663
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 23,832,053</b>	\$ 22,315,668

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CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Securities due within one year	\$ 253,668	\$ 280,443
Notes payable	253,461	357,095
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	208,455	260,545
Other	602,484	422,485
Customer deposits	197,539	186,919
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	148,100	70,916
Unrecognized tax benefits	157,512	128,712
Other accrued taxes	237,638	278,172
Accrued interest	106,454	79,432
Accrued vacation pay	49,248	57,643
Accrued compensation	38,450	135,191
Liabilities from risk management activities	59,287	113,432
Other cost of removal obligations, current	241,866	
Other regulatory liabilities, current	94,688	60,330
Other current liabilities	127,518	75,846
Total current liabilities	2,776,368	2,507,161
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	<b>7,284,759</b>	7,006,275
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	3,317,030	3,064,580
Deferred credits related to income taxes	131,869	140,933
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	245,927	256,218
Employee benefit obligations	898,669	882,965
Asset retirement obligations	716,370	688,019
Other cost of removal obligations	85,792	396,947
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	42,997	115,865
Other deferred credits and liabilities	103,210	111,505
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	5,541,864	5,657,032
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>15,602,991</b>	15,170,468
<b>Preferred Stock</b>	<b>44,991</b>	44,991
<b>Preference Stock</b>	<b>220,966</b>	220,966

**Common Stockholder s Equity:**

Common stock, without par value		
Authorized - 20,000,000 shares		
Outstanding - 9,261,500 shares	<b>398,473</b>	398,473
Paid-in capital	<b>4,584,001</b>	3,655,731
Retained earnings	<b>3,003,292</b>	2,857,789
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	<b>(22,661)</b>	(32,750)
Total common stockholder s equity	<b>7,963,105</b>	6,879,243
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder s Equity</b>	<b>\$ 23,832,053</b>	\$ 22,315,668

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**AND**  
**YEAR-TO-DATE 2009 vs. YEAR-TO-DATE 2008**

**OVERVIEW**

Georgia Power operates as a vertically integrated utility providing electricity to retail customers within its traditional service area located within the State of Georgia and to wholesale customers in the Southeast. Many factors affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Georgia Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment, to maintain energy sales in the midst of the current economic downturn, and to effectively manage and secure timely recovery of rising costs. These costs include those related to projected long-term demand growth, increasingly stringent environmental standards, capital expenditures, and fuel prices. Appropriately balancing the need to recover these increasing costs with customer prices will continue to challenge Georgia Power for the foreseeable future. Georgia Power is required to file a general rate case by July 1, 2010, which will determine whether the 2007 Retail Rate Plan should be continued, modified, or discontinued. On August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved an accounting order that will allow Georgia Power to amortize approximately \$324 million of its regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations over the 18-month period ending December 31, 2010 in lieu of filing a request for a base rate increase. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - FERC and Georgia PSC Matters - Retail Rate Matters herein for additional information.

Georgia Power continues to focus on several key performance indicators. These indicators include customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock. For additional information on these indicators, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - OVERVIEW - Key Performance Indicators of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*****Net Income***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(14.1)	(3.5)	\$(126.0)	(15.3)

Georgia Power's third quarter 2009 net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock was \$387.7 million compared to \$401.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Georgia Power's year-to-date 2009 net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock was \$699.7 million compared to \$825.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These decreases were primarily due to lower commercial and industrial base revenues resulting from the recessionary economy that were partially offset by cost containment activities and the amortization of the regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations as authorized by the Georgia PSC. Also contributing to the year-to-date 2009 decrease was a charge in the first quarter 2009 in connection with a voluntary attrition plan under which 579 employees resigned from their positions effective March 31, 2009.

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**Retail Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(224.3)	(9.7)	\$(355.5)	(6.2)

In the third quarter 2009, retail revenues were \$2.09 billion compared to \$2.32 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, retail revenues were \$5.37 billion compared to \$5.72 billion for the corresponding period in 2008.

Details of the change to retail revenues are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Retail prior year	\$2,317.8		\$5,723.6	
Estimated change in				
Rates and pricing	(43.7)	(1.9)	(64.2)	(1.1)
Sales growth (decline)	(24.9)	(1.1)	(87.2)	(1.5)
Weather	(17.0)	(0.7)	(12.5)	(0.2)
Fuel cost recovery	(138.7)	(6.0)	(191.6)	(3.4)
Retail current year	\$2,093.5	(9.7)%	\$5,368.1	(6.2)%

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing decreased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 due to decreased revenues from market-response rates to large commercial and industrial customers of \$101.2 million and \$204.6 million for the third quarter and year-to-date 2009, respectively, partially offset by increased recognition of environmental compliance cost recovery revenues of \$57.5 million and \$140.4 million for the third quarter and year-to-date 2009, respectively, in accordance with the 2007 Retail Rate Plan.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008. These decreases were primarily due to the recessionary economy, partially offset by a 0.2% increase in retail customers. Weather-adjusted residential KWH sales increased 0.3%, weather-adjusted commercial KWH sales decreased 1.9%, and weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales decreased 7.9% for the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Weather-adjusted residential KWH sales increased 0.1%, weather-adjusted commercial KWH sales decreased 1.0%, and weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales decreased 12.2% year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Weather-adjusted industrial KWH sales decreased due to a broad decline in demand across all industrial segments, most significantly in the chemical, primary metals, textiles, and stone, clay, and glass sectors, for the third quarter and year-to-date 2009. Revenues resulting from changes in weather decreased in the third quarter and for year-to-date 2009 as a result of unfavorable weather when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008.



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Fuel revenues and costs are allocated between retail and wholesale jurisdictions. Retail fuel cost recovery revenues decreased by \$138.7 million in the third quarter 2009 and by \$191.6 million year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 due to decreased KWH sales and lower purchased power and natural gas prices, partially offset by higher coal prices. Electric rates include provisions to adjust billings for fluctuations in fuel costs, including the energy component of purchased power costs. Under these provisions, fuel revenues generally equal fuel expenses, including the fuel component of purchased power costs, and do not impact net income.

**Wholesale Revenues - Non-Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(40.4)	(27.1)	\$(142.8)	(32.2)

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy compared to the cost of Georgia Power and Southern Company system-owned generation, demand for energy within the Southern Company service territory, and the availability of Southern Company system generation.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$108.5 million compared to \$148.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 44.9% decrease in KWH sales due to lower demand. For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$301.1 million compared to \$443.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 47.8% decrease in KWH sales due to lower demand.

**Wholesale Revenues - Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(53.0)	(49.7)	\$(154.2)	(61.0)

Wholesale revenues from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These affiliate sales are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC. These transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since the energy is generally sold at marginal cost.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$53.7 million compared to \$106.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to lower natural gas prices partially offset by a 29.7% increase in KWH sales.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$98.5 million compared to \$252.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to lower natural gas prices and a 29.9% decrease in KWH sales due to lower demand.

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*Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses*

	Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Fuel*	\$(29.5)	(3.4)	\$(97.4)	(4.5)
Purchased power non-affiliates	(105.8)	(55.0)	(138.8)	(38.8)
Purchased power affiliates	(88.9)	(35.9)	(220.1)	(29.4)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$(224.2)		\$(456.3)	

\* Fuel includes fuel purchased by Georgia Power for tolling agreements where power is generated by the provider and is included in purchased power when determining the average cost of purchased power.

In the third quarter 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$1.08 billion compared to \$1.30 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a \$130.1 million decrease related to fewer KWHs generated and purchased and a \$94.1 million decrease in the average cost of purchased power, partially offset by an increase in the average cost of fuel.

For year-to-date 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$2.83 billion compared to \$3.29 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a \$263.0 million decrease related to fewer KWHs generated and purchased and a \$193.3 million decrease in the average cost of purchased power, partially offset by an increase in the average cost of fuel.

Details of Georgia Power's cost of generation and purchased power are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009	Third Quarter 2008	Percent Change	Year-to-Date 2009	Year-to-Date 2008	Percent Change
Average Cost	<i>(cents per net KWH)</i>			<i>(cents per net KWH)</i>		
Fuel	3.50	3.32	5.4	3.39	3.07	10.4
Purchased power	6.43	8.87	(27.5)	6.14	8.39	(26.8)

In the third quarter 2009, fuel expense was \$830.3 million compared to \$859.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease of 34.8% in natural gas prices and a decrease of 6.0% in KWHs generated as a result of lower KWH demand, partially offset by an increase of 15.1% in the average cost of coal per KWH generated.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel expense was \$2.08 billion compared to \$2.18 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease of 40.6% in natural gas prices and a decrease of 13.7% in KWHs generated as a result of lower KWH demand, partially offset by an increase of 21.7% in the average cost of coal per KWH generated. Fuel and purchased power transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since energy expenses are generally offset by energy revenues through Georgia Power's fuel cost recovery clause. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - FERC and Georgia PSC Matters - Retail Fuel Cost Recovery herein for additional information.

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*Non-Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$86.5 million compared to \$192.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 28.0% decrease in the average cost of KWH purchased and a 37.5% decrease in the volume of KWHs purchased.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$219.2 million compared to \$358.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 35.6% decrease in the average cost of KWH purchased and a 4.9% decrease in the volume of KWHs purchased.

Energy purchases from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy being lower than the cost of Southern Company system-generated energy, demand for energy within the Southern Company system service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation.

*Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$158.9 million compared to \$247.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 26.7% decrease in the average cost per KWH purchased and a 4.7% decrease in the volume of KWHs purchased.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$528.5 million compared to \$748.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a 23.7% decrease in the average cost of KWH purchased partially offset by a 1.6% increase in the volume of KWHs purchased.

Energy purchases from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These purchases are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC.

*Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses*

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(20.5)	(5.4)	\$(37.0)	(3.2)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$358.8 million compared to \$379.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a \$9.1 million decrease in power generation, a \$7.2 million decrease in transmission and distribution, and a decrease of \$6.1 million in customer accounting, service, and sales costs, most of which are related to cost containment activities in an effort to offset the effects of the recessionary economy.

For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$1.10 billion compared to \$1.14 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a \$24.3 million decrease in power generation, a \$25.5 million decrease in transmission and distribution, and a \$20.6 million decrease in customer accounting, service, and sales costs primarily due to the cost containment activities described above, partially offset by a \$5.7 million increase in uncollectible accounts, a \$2.8 million increase in property insurance, and a \$29.4 million charge in the first quarter 2009 in connection with a voluntary attrition plan under which 579 employees elected to resign their positions effective March 31, 2009. In the second and third quarters 2009, approximately two-thirds of the \$29.4 million charge was offset by lower salary and employee benefits costs, and the other one-third will be offset during the remainder of the year. This charge is not expected to have a material impact on Georgia Power's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2009.

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**Depreciation and Amortization**

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<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$ (39.6)	(24.4)	\$ (7.2)	(1.5)

In the third quarter 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$122.7 million compared to \$162.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$464.9 million compared to \$472.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These decreases were primarily due to the amortization of \$54.0 million of the regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations as authorized by the Georgia PSC, partially offset by increased depreciation due to additional plant in service related to transmission, distribution, and environmental projects.

**Allowance for Equity Funds Used During Construction**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$2.3	11.1	\$ (6.3)	(8.8)

In the third quarter 2009, the change in allowance for equity funds used during construction (AFUDC) when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 was not material.

For year-to-date 2009, AFUDC was \$66.3 million compared to \$72.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease in the average cost of construction work in progress balances for year-to-date 2009 compared to the corresponding period in 2008 as a result of projects completed in 2008.

**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$9.1	10.6	\$36.8	14.4

In the third quarter 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$95.3 million compared to \$86.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$293.1 million compared to \$256.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to an increase in long-term debt levels resulting from the issuance of additional senior notes and pollution control bonds in the last 12 months to fund Georgia Power's ongoing construction program, partially offset by lower average interest rates on existing variable rate debt.

**Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$ (21.7)	(9.1)	\$ (75.4)	(16.6)

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$215.7 million compared to \$237.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$378.0 million compared to \$453.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These decreases were primarily due to lower pre-tax net income.

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**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Georgia Power's future earnings potential. The level of Georgia Power's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Georgia Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include Georgia Power's ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs. Future earnings in the near term will depend, in part, upon maintaining energy sales, which is subject to a number of factors. These factors include weather, competition, new energy contracts with neighboring utilities, energy conservation practiced by customers, the price of electricity, the price elasticity of demand, and the rate of economic growth or decline in Georgia Power's service area. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted sales and are expected to continue to have a negative impact, particularly to industrial and commercial customers. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings. For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**Environmental Matters**

Compliance costs related to the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations could affect earnings if such costs cannot continue to be fully recovered in rates on a timely basis. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Environmental Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

*New York Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs' claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

*Kivalina Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

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***Air Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Air Quality of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the eight-hour ozone standard. On September 16, 2009, the EPA announced that it would reconsider its March 2008 decision regarding the eight-hour ozone standard, potentially resulting in a more stringent standard and designation of additional nonattainment areas within Georgia Power's service territory. The EPA is expected to propose any revisions to the standard by December 2009 and issue a final decision by August 2010. The impact of a more stringent standard will depend on the proposed and final regulations and resolution of any legal challenges and cannot be determined at this time.

***Water Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Water Quality of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the EPA's regulation of cooling water intake structures. On April 1, 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit's decision with respect to the rule's use of cost-benefit analysis and held that the EPA could consider costs in arriving at its standards and in providing variances from those standards for existing power plant cooling water intake structures. Other aspects of the court's decision were not appealed and remain unaffected by the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling. While the U.S. Supreme Court's decision may ultimately result in greater flexibility for demonstrating compliance with the standards, the full scope of the regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rule's implementation, and the actual requirements established by state regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

***Global Climate Issues***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Global Climate Issues of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable

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energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on Georgia Power's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future unit retirement and replacement decisions and results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

**FERC and Georgia PSC Matters*****Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

***Retail Fuel Cost Recovery***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL PSC Matters Fuel Cost Recovery of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Retail Regulatory Matters Fuel Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information. In May 2008, the Georgia PSC approved an additional increase of approximately \$222 million effective June 2008. On March 10, 2009, the Georgia PSC granted Georgia Power's request to delay its fuel case filing until September 4, 2009 and, on August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved an additional delay in the filing date to no later than December 15, 2009 (with new rates to be effective April 1, 2010). As of September 30, 2009, Georgia Power had a total under recovered fuel cost balance of approximately \$671 million compared to \$764 million at December 31, 2008. Fuel cost recovery revenues as recorded on the financial statements are adjusted for differences in actual recoverable fuel costs and amounts billed in current regulated rates. Accordingly, any changes in the billing factor will not have a significant effect on Georgia Power's revenues or net income, but will affect cash flow.

***Retail Rate Matters***

Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, Georgia Power's earnings are evaluated against a retail return on equity (ROE) range of 10.25% to 12.25%. In connection with the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the Georgia PSC ordered that Georgia Power file its next general base rate case by July 1, 2010; however, the 2007 Retail Rate Plan provided that Georgia Power may file for a general base rate increase in the event its projected retail ROE falls below 10.25%.

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The economic recession has significantly reduced Georgia Power's revenues upon which retail rates were set under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan. Despite stringent efforts to reduce expenses, current projections indicate Georgia Power's retail ROE will be less than 10.25% in both 2009 and 2010. However, in lieu of filing to increase customer rates as allowed under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, on June 29, 2009, Georgia Power filed a request with the Georgia PSC for an accounting order that would allow Georgia Power to amortize approximately \$324 million of its regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations.

On August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved the accounting order. Under the terms of the accounting order, if Georgia Power does not file for a retail base rate increase in 2009, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to one-third of the regulatory liability (\$108 million) in 2009. Through September 30, 2009, Georgia Power has amortized \$54 million of the regulatory liability. In addition, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to two-thirds of the regulatory liability (\$216 million) in 2010. In the event Georgia Power files for a retail base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010, then the amortization of the regulatory liability in 2010 would be reduced by one-sixth for each month that such rate case is filed prior to July 1, 2010.

Furthermore, the amortization of the regulatory liability is limited to only the amount that would allow Georgia Power to earn a retail ROE not more than 9.75% in 2009 and 10.15% in 2010. In addition, Georgia Power may not file for a base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010 unless economic conditions beyond its control continue to reduce Georgia Power's projected retail ROE and in no event unless Georgia Power's projected retail ROE for 2009 or 2010 is less than 9.25% after taking into consideration amortization of the regulatory liability.

On July 21, 2009, the Georgia PSC accepted Georgia Power's offer to bring a total of 178 MWs of the Block 5 and 6 capacity (which covers small portions of Plants Gaston, McManus, Mitchell, and Wilson) into retail rate base for the remaining life of the assets as existing wholesale contracts expire in 2011-2016. Similar treatment for approximately 78 MWs of Plant Scherer Unit 3 capacity for 2015-2031 was approved on September 15, 2009.

**Construction**

***Nuclear***

See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Construction Projects Nuclear herein for information regarding the potential expansion of Plant Vogtle.

On March 17, 2009, the Georgia PSC voted to certify construction of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 at an in-service cost of \$6.4 billion. In addition, the Georgia PSC voted to approve inclusion of the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base and to recover financing costs during the construction period beginning in 2011, which reduces the projected in-service cost to approximately \$4.5 billion.

On April 21, 2009, the Governor of the State of Georgia signed into law the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act that will allow Georgia Power to recover financing costs for nuclear construction projects by including the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base during the construction period. The cost recovery provisions will become effective January 1, 2011.

On June 15, 2009, an environmental group filed a petition in the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia seeking review of the Georgia PSC's certification order and challenging the constitutionality of the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act. Georgia Power believes there is no meritorious basis for this petition and intends to vigorously defend against the requested actions. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.



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On August 26, 2009, the NRC issued the Early Site Permit and Limited Work Authorization for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. Excavation for the new units is in progress.

On August 27, 2009, the NRC issued letters to Westinghouse revising the review schedules needed to certify the AP1000 standard design for new reactors and expressing concerns related to the availability of adequate information and the shield building design. The shield building protects the containment and provides structural support to the containment cooling water supply. Georgia Power is continuing to work with Westinghouse and the NRC to resolve these concerns. Any possible delays in the AP1000 design certification schedule, including those addressed by the NRC in their letters, are not currently expected to affect the projected commercial operation dates for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

On August 31, 2009, Georgia Power filed with the Georgia PSC its first semi-annual construction monitoring report for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 for the period ended June 30, 2009 which did not include any change to the estimated construction cost as certified by the Georgia PSC in March 2009. The Georgia PSC will conduct hearings between November 2009 and January 2010 in review of this report and is scheduled to render its decision on February 18, 2010. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

There are pending technical and procedural challenges to the construction and licensing of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. Similar additional challenges at the state and federal level are expected as construction proceeds. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

***Other***

On March 17, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved Georgia Power's request to convert Plant Mitchell from coal-fueled to wood biomass-fueled at an in-service cost of approximately \$103 million. The conversion is expected to be completed in 2012. The Georgia PSC also approved Georgia Power's plan to install additional environmental controls at Plants Branch and Yates.

On August 10, 2009, Georgia Power filed its quarterly construction monitoring report for Plant McDonough Units 4, 5, and 6 for the quarter ended June 30, 2009. On September 30, 2009, Georgia Power amended the report. As amended, the report includes a request for an increase in the certified costs to construct Plant McDonough. The Georgia PSC will conduct hearings between December 2009 and February 2010 in review of the amended report and is scheduled to render its decision on March 16, 2010.

**Nuclear Relicensing**

The NRC operating licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 were scheduled to expire in January 2027 and February 2029, respectively. In June 2007, Georgia Power filed an application with the NRC to extend the licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 for an additional 20 years. On June 3, 2009, the NRC approved the extension of the licenses as requested.

**Legislation**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives, which could have a significant impact on the future cash flow and net income of Georgia Power. Georgia Power estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be between approximately \$120 million and \$150 million. On October 27, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries received notice that an award of \$165 million had been

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granted, of which \$51 million relates to Georgia Power, under its ARRA grant application for transmission and distribution automation and modernization projects pending final negotiations. Georgia Power continues to assess the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

**Other Matters**

Georgia Power is involved in various other matters being litigated, regulatory matters, and certain tax-related issues that could affect future earnings. In addition, Georgia Power is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Georgia Power's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against Georgia Power cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Georgia Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Georgia Power's financial statements.

See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Georgia Power prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Georgia Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Georgia Power's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in the financial statements. See **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ACCOUNTING POLICIES Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates** of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Georgia Power's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Electric Utility Regulation, Contingent Obligations, and Unbilled Revenues.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Georgia Power is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.

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**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Georgia Power's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Georgia Power has maintained adequate access to capital without drawing on any of its committed bank credit arrangements used to support its commercial paper borrowings and variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Georgia Power intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Georgia Power has been and expects to continue to be subject to higher costs as its existing facilities are replaced or renewed. Total committed credit fees at Georgia Power currently average less than  $\frac{3}{8}$  of 1% per year. Georgia Power's interest cost for short-term debt has decreased as market short-term interest rates have declined from 2008 levels. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. Georgia Power experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. See Sources of Capital and Financing Activities herein for additional information.

Georgia Power's investments in pension and nuclear decommissioning trust funds remained stable during the third quarter 2009. Georgia Power expects that the earliest that cash may have to be contributed to the pension trust fund is 2012 and such contribution could be significant; however, projections of the amount vary significantly depending on key variables including future trust fund performance and cannot be determined at this time. Georgia Power does not expect any changes to funding obligations to the nuclear decommissioning trusts prior to 2011.

Net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$1.1 billion for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$1.3 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$180.3 million decrease in cash provided from operating activities in the first nine months of 2009 was primarily due to the \$126 million decrease in net income, a reduction in deferred environmental revenues of approximately \$140 million, and an increase in fuel inventory additions of approximately \$251 million, partially offset by reductions in accounts receivable. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$1.7 billion for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$1.5 billion for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to gross property additions to utility plant. Net cash provided from financing activities totaled \$497.7 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$523.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$25.9 million decrease was primarily due to higher redemptions of long-term debt, partially offset by higher capital contributions from Southern Company in 2009.

Significant balance sheet changes for the first nine months of 2009 include an increase of \$1.4 billion in total property, plant, and equipment.

**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Georgia Power's capital requirements for its construction program, scheduled maturities of long-term debt, as well as related interest, derivative obligations, preferred and preference stock dividends, leases, purchase commitments, trust funding requirements, and unrecognized tax benefits. Approximately \$254 million will be required through September 30, 2010 to fund maturities of long-term debt. The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of numerous factors. These factors include: changes in business conditions; changes in load projections; changes in environmental statutes and regulations; changes in nuclear plants to meet new regulatory requirements; changes in FERC rules and regulations; Georgia PSC approvals; changes in legislation; the cost and efficiency

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of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital. In addition, there can be no assurance that costs related to capital expenditures will be fully recovered.

**Sources of Capital**

Georgia Power plans to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes from sources similar to those utilized in the past. Recently, Georgia Power has primarily utilized funds from operating cash flows, short-term debt, security issuances, term loans, and equity contributions from Southern Company. However, the amount, type, and timing of any future financings, if needed, will depend upon regulatory approval, prevailing market conditions, and other factors. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital of Georgia Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Georgia Power's current liabilities frequently exceed current assets because of the continued use of short-term debt as a funding source to meet scheduled maturities of long-term debt as well as cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business. To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, Georgia Power had at September 30, 2009 approximately \$14.5 million of cash and cash equivalents and approximately \$1.7 billion of unused credit arrangements with banks. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Bank Credit Arrangements in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Bank Credit Arrangements herein for additional information. Of the unused credit arrangements in place at September 30, 2009, \$595 million expire in 2010 and \$1.1 billion expire in 2012. Georgia Power expects to renew its credit facilities, as needed, prior to expiration.

Credit arrangements provide liquidity support to Georgia Power's purchase obligations related to variable rate pollution control revenue bonds and commercial paper borrowings. At September 30, 2009, Georgia Power had \$901 million of variable rate pollution control revenue bonds outstanding. Georgia Power may meet short-term cash needs through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper at the request and for the benefit of Georgia Power and other Southern Company subsidiaries. At September 30, 2009, Georgia Power had approximately \$253 million of commercial paper outstanding. Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing commercial paper programs, lines of credit, and cash.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Georgia Power does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change to BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are for physical electricity purchases and sales, fuel purchases, fuel transportation and storage, emissions allowances, energy price risk management, and construction of new generation. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$35 million. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$1.2 billion. Included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Georgia Power's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market.

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On September 2, 2009, Moody's affirmed the credit ratings of Georgia Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper of A2/P-1, respectively, and revised the rating outlook to negative. On October 6, 2009, Standard and Poor's affirmed the credit ratings of Georgia Power's senior unsecured notes and its short-term credit rating of A/A-1, respectively, and maintained its stable rating outlook. On September 4, 2009, Fitch affirmed Georgia Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper ratings of A+/F1, respectively, but revised Georgia Power's rating outlook to negative.

**Market Price Risk**

Georgia Power's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Georgia Power is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposures on existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined.

Due to cost-based rate regulation, Georgia Power continues to have limited exposure to market volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, Georgia Power enters into physical fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market. Georgia Power continues to manage a fuel-hedging program implemented per the guidelines of the Georgia PSC. As such, Georgia Power has no material change in market risk exposure when compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period.

The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(125.4)	\$(113.2)
Contracts realized or settled	56.5	130.6
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	3.0	(83.3)
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$ (65.9)	\$ (65.9)

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The changes in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were increases of \$60 million and \$47 million, respectively, substantially all of which is due to natural gas positions. These changes are attributable to both the volume and prices of natural gas. At September 30, 2009, Georgia Power had a net hedge volume of 68 million mmBtu with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$0.96 per mmBtu above market prices, compared to 75 million mmBtu at June 30, 2009 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.69 per mmBtu above market prices and compared to 59 million mmBtu at December 31, 2008 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.96 per mmBtu above market prices. The natural gas hedge settlements are recovered through the fuel cost recovery mechanism.

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At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Regulatory hedges	\$(65.9)	\$ (113.2)
Not designated		
Total fair value	\$(65.9)	\$ (113.2)

Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate to Georgia Power's fuel hedging program where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as they are recovered through the fuel cost recovery mechanism. Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Unrealized pre-tax gains and losses recognized in income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were not material.

The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	Total	<b>Fair Value Measurements</b>		
		Fair Value	Maturity Year 1	Years 2&3
		<i>(in millions)</i>		
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	(65.9)	(52.4)	(13.3)	(0.2)
Level 3				
Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period	\$(65.9)	\$(52.4)	\$(13.3)	\$(0.2)

Georgia Power uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Market Price Risk of Georgia Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Georgia Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.

**Financing Activities**

In February 2009, Georgia Power issued \$500 million of Series 2009A 5.95% Senior Notes due February 1, 2039. The proceeds were used to repay at maturity \$150 million aggregate principal amount of Series U Floating Rate Senior Notes due February 7, 2009, to repay a portion of short-term indebtedness, and for general corporate purposes, including Georgia Power's continuous construction program. Georgia Power settled \$100 million of hedges related to

the Series 2009A issuance at a loss of approximately \$16 million, and this loss will be amortized to interest expense, in earnings, together with a previously settled loss of approximately \$2 million, over 10 years.

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In July 2009, Georgia Power incurred obligations in connection with the issuance of \$154.3 million of variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. The proceeds of the bonds were used to retire \$154.3 million of fixed rate pollution control revenue bonds.

In August 2009, Georgia Power's \$125 million Series V 4.10% Senior Notes due August 15, 2009 matured.

In August 2009, Georgia Power redeemed its \$55 million of Series D 5.50% Senior Insured Quarterly Notes due November 15, 2017.

In September 2009, Georgia Power incurred obligations in connection with the issuance of variable rate pollution control revenue bonds totaling \$262.2 million. The proceeds of \$89.2 million of the variable rate pollution control revenue bonds were used to fund the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping costs of certain solid waste disposal facilities located at Plant Scherer. The proceeds from the remaining \$173 million were used to retire Bartow County (Georgia Power Plant Bowen Project) First, Second and Third Series 2007 variable rate pollution control revenue bonds totaling \$173 million.

Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Georgia Power entered into forward starting interest rate swaps to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The total notional amount of the swaps is \$200 million, and the swaps have been designated as a cash flow hedge.

In addition to any financings that may be necessary to meet capital requirements and contractual obligations, Georgia Power plans to continue, when economically feasible, a program to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit.



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CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Retail revenues	<b>\$ 329,597</b>	\$ 359,652	<b>\$ 858,038</b>	\$ 871,834
Wholesale revenues, non-affiliates	<b>25,752</b>	26,194	<b>70,418</b>	76,902
Wholesale revenues, affiliates	<b>3,661</b>	20,036	<b>19,748</b>	89,500
Other revenues	<b>18,631</b>	15,959	<b>54,816</b>	45,007
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>377,641</b>	421,841	<b>1,003,020</b>	1,083,243
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	<b>163,302</b>	185,003	<b>435,050</b>	501,129
Purchased power, non-affiliates	<b>9,991</b>	14,057	<b>20,480</b>	23,269
Purchased power, affiliates	<b>29,399</b>	41,136	<b>58,020</b>	66,564
Other operations and maintenance	<b>57,422</b>	65,223	<b>194,896</b>	197,428
Depreciation and amortization	<b>23,452</b>	22,295	<b>69,828</b>	66,205
Taxes other than income taxes	<b>26,683</b>	25,088	<b>72,120</b>	66,587
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>310,249</b>	352,802	<b>850,394</b>	921,182
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>67,392</b>	69,039	<b>152,626</b>	162,061
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	<b>6,810</b>	2,673	<b>17,335</b>	6,196
Interest income	<b>129</b>	914	<b>423</b>	2,332
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	<b>(9,264)</b>	(10,491)	<b>(29,003)</b>	(32,165)
Other income (expense), net	<b>(266)</b>	(355)	<b>(1,369)</b>	(1,365)
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(2,591)</b>	(7,259)	<b>(12,614)</b>	(25,002)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>64,801</b>	61,780	<b>140,012</b>	137,059
Income taxes	<b>22,042</b>	22,886	<b>45,341</b>	48,542
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>42,759</b>	38,894	<b>94,671</b>	88,517
<b>Dividends on Preference Stock</b>	<b>1,551</b>	1,551	<b>4,652</b>	4,652
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 41,208</b>	\$ 37,343	<b>\$ 90,019</b>	\$ 83,865

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008

	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preference Stock</b>	<b>\$ 41,208</b>	\$ 37,343	<b>\$ 90,019</b>	\$ 83,865
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Qualifying hedges:				
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(414), \$-, \$(414), and \$(1,077), respectively	<b>(659)</b>		<b>(659)</b>	(1,715)
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$105, \$104, \$314, and \$261, respectively	<b>166</b>	167	<b>500</b>	416
<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>(493)</b>	167	<b>(159)</b>	(1,299)
<b>Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>\$ 40,715</b>	\$ 37,510	<b>\$ 89,860</b>	\$ 82,566

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 94,671	\$ 88,517
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	74,407	69,926
Deferred income taxes	(2,177)	24,850
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	(17,335)	(6,196)
Pension, postretirement, and other employee benefits	1,123	1,413
Stock option expense	793	656
Tax benefit of stock options	8	200
Hedge settlements		(5,220)
Other, net	(4,017)	(4,116)
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	40,388	(75,430)
-Fossil fuel stock	(54,511)	(26,408)
-Materials and supplies	(1,411)	7,135
-Prepaid income taxes	416	(3,929)
-Property damage cost recovery	10,831	20,038
-Other current assets	2,178	2,371
-Accounts payable	(13,022)	(2,154)
-Accrued taxes	14,593	3,825
-Accrued compensation	(7,364)	(3,063)
-Other current liabilities	8,627	(2,057)
Net cash provided from operating activities	<b>148,198</b>	90,358
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(330,776)	(232,398)
Investment in restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	(49,188)	
Distribution of restricted cash from pollution control revenue bonds	28,144	
Cost of removal, net of salvage	(6,758)	(5,246)
Construction payables	(11,721)	13,830
Other investing activities	(5,445)	(3,956)
Net cash used for investing activities	<b>(375,744)</b>	(227,770)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Increase (decrease) in notes payable, net	(101,589)	57,813
Proceeds		
Common stock issued to parent	135,000	
Capital contributions from parent company	3,461	75,304
Gross excess tax benefit of stock options	22	283
Pollution control revenue bonds	130,400	

Senior notes	<b>140,000</b>	
Other long-term debt issuances		110,000
Redemptions		
Senior notes	<b>(1,033)</b>	(974)
Payment of preference stock dividends	<b>(4,652)</b>	(4,507)
Payment of common stock dividends	<b>(66,975)</b>	(61,275)
Other financing activities	<b>(1,635)</b>	(2,135)
Net cash provided from financing activities	<b>232,999</b>	174,509
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>5,453</b>	37,097
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>3,443</b>	5,348
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 8,896</b>	\$ 42,445

**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for		
Interest (net of \$6,909 and \$2,470 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively)	<b>\$ 29,123</b>	\$ 27,940
Income taxes (net of refunds)	<b>\$ 43,423</b>	\$ 37,353

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CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 8,896	\$ 3,443
Restricted cash and cash equivalents	21,043	
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	91,613	69,531
Unbilled revenues	57,723	48,742
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues	31,878	98,644
Other accounts and notes receivable	3,897	7,201
Affiliated companies	1,724	8,516
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(1,896)	(2,188)
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	160,704	108,129
Materials and supplies, at average cost	38,247	36,836
Other regulatory assets, current	22,841	38,908
Prepaid expenses	28,670	20,363
Other current assets	2,043	5,292
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>467,383</b>	<b>443,417</b>
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	2,890,230	2,785,561
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	1,005,256	971,464
<b>Plant in service, net of depreciation</b>	<b>1,884,974</b>	<b>1,814,097</b>
Construction work in progress	614,808	391,987
<b>Total property, plant, and equipment</b>	<b>2,499,782</b>	<b>2,206,084</b>
<b>Other Property and Investments</b>	<b>15,902</b>	<b>15,918</b>
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	35,225	24,220
Other regulatory assets, deferred	169,900	170,836
Other deferred charges and assets	24,698	18,550
<b>Total deferred charges and other assets</b>	<b>229,823</b>	<b>213,606</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 3,212,890</b>	<b>\$ 2,879,025</b>

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**CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Liabilities and Stockholders Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Securities due within one year	\$ 140,000	\$
Notes payable	38,341	148,239
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	46,633	50,304
Other	72,379	90,381
Customer deposits	31,463	28,017
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	11,038	39,983
Other accrued taxes	22,869	11,855
Accrued interest	10,634	8,959
Accrued compensation	8,303	15,667
Other regulatory liabilities, current	19,076	4,602
Liabilities from risk management activities	13,531	26,928
Other current liabilities	20,781	29,047
Total current liabilities	435,048	453,982
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	978,982	849,265
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	296,385	254,354
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	10,053	11,255
Employee benefit obligations	96,827	97,389
Other cost of removal obligations	189,077	180,325
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	40,737	28,597
Other deferred credits and liabilities	83,523	83,768
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	716,602	655,688
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	2,130,632	1,958,935
<b>Preference Stock</b>	97,998	97,998
<b>Common Stockholders Equity:</b>		
Common stock, without par value		
Authorized - 20,000,000 shares		
Outstanding - September 30, 2009: 3,142,717 shares		
- December 31, 2008: 1,792,717 shares	253,060	118,060
Paid-in capital	515,830	511,547
Retained earnings	220,461	197,417

Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(5,091)	(4,932)
Total common stockholder's equity	984,260	822,092
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>	<b>\$ 3,212,890</b>	<b>\$ 2,879,025</b>

The accompanying notes as they relate to Gulf Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.



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**OVERVIEW**

Gulf Power operates as a vertically integrated utility providing electricity to retail customers within its traditional service area located in northwest Florida and to wholesale customers in the Southeast. Many factors affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Gulf Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment, to maintain energy sales in the midst of the current economic downturn, and to effectively manage and secure timely recovery of rising costs. These costs include those related to projected long-term demand growth, increasingly stringent environmental standards, fuel prices, and storm restoration costs. Appropriately balancing the need to recover these increasing costs with customer prices will continue to challenge Gulf Power for the foreseeable future.

Gulf Power continues to focus on several key performance indicators. These indicators include customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and net income after dividends on preference stock. For additional information on these indicators, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OVERVIEW Key Performance Indicators of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS****Net Income**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$3.9	10.3	\$6.1	7.3

Gulf Power's net income after dividends on preference stock for the third quarter 2009 was \$41.2 million compared to \$37.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to increased allowance for equity funds used during construction (AFUDC), which is non-taxable, decreased other operations and maintenance expenses, and decreased interest expense, net of amounts capitalized, partially offset by unfavorable weather and a decline in sales.

Gulf Power's net income after dividends on preference stock for year-to-date 2009 was \$90.0 million compared to \$83.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to increased AFUDC, which is non-taxable, and decreased interest expense, net of amounts capitalized, partially offset by unfavorable weather and a decline in sales.

**Retail Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(30.1)	(8.4)	\$(13.8)	(1.6)

In the third quarter 2009, retail revenues were \$329.6 million compared to \$359.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, retail revenues were \$858.0 million compared to \$871.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008.

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Details of the change to retail revenues are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Retail prior year	\$359.7		\$871.8	
Estimated change in				
Rates and pricing	10.2	2.9	25.5	2.9
Sales growth (decline)	(0.6)	(0.2)	(4.1)	(0.5)
Weather	(6.0)	(1.7)	(8.9)	(1.0)
Fuel and other cost recovery	(33.7)	(9.4)	(26.3)	(3.0)
Retail current year	\$329.6	(8.4)%	\$858.0	(1.6)%

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing increased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 primarily due to increased revenue associated with higher projected environmental compliance costs in 2009. Annually, Gulf Power petitions the Florida PSC for recovery of projected costs including any true-up amount from prior periods, and approved rates are implemented each January. These recovery provisions include related expenses and a return on average net investment. See Note 1 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Revenues and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Environmental Matters Environmental Remediation and Retail Regulatory Matters Environmental Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Weather-adjusted KWH energy sales to residential customers increased 3.3% despite a reduction in the number of customers, primarily due to an increase in per customer usage. Weather-adjusted KWH energy sales to commercial customers decreased 1.4% primarily due to decreased per customer usage and a decrease in the number of customers driven by the recession. KWH energy sales to industrial customers decreased 29.3% as a result of recessionary economic conditions and increased customer co-generation due to the lower cost of natural gas.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Weather-adjusted KWH energy sales to residential customers increased 1.5% despite a decrease in the number of customers, primarily due to an increase in per customer usage. Weather-adjusted KWH energy sales to commercial customers decreased 1.1% primarily due to a decrease in per customer usage and a decrease in the number of customers driven by the recession. KWH energy sales to industrial customers decreased 24.2% as a result of recessionary economic conditions and increased customer co-generation due to the lower cost of natural gas.

Revenues attributable to changes in weather decreased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 as a result of unfavorable weather when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008.

Fuel and other cost recovery revenues decreased in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 due to overall decreased customer usage primarily resulting from decreased industrial usage. Fuel and other cost recovery revenues include fuel expenses, the energy component of purchased power costs, purchased power capacity costs, and revenues related to the recovery of storm damage restoration costs. Annually, Gulf Power petitions the Florida PSC for recovery of projected fuel and purchased power costs including any true-up amount from prior periods, and approved rates are implemented each January. The recovery provisions generally equal the related expenses and have no material impact on net income. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL

FERC and Florida PSC Matters Retail Regulatory Matters herein and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL PSC



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Matters Fuel Cost Recovery of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Note 1 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Revenues and Property Damage Reserve and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Retail Regulatory Matters Storm Damage Cost Recovery and Fuel Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

**Wholesale Revenues Non-Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008 <i>(change in millions)</i>	Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008 <i>(change in millions)</i>
<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(0.4)	\$(6.5)
(1.7)	(8.4)

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy compared to the cost of Gulf Power and Southern Company system-owned generation, demand for energy within the Southern Company service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation. Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates are predominantly unit power sales under long-term contracts to other Florida utilities. Revenues from these contracts have both capacity and energy components. Capacity revenues reflect the recovery of fixed costs and a return on investment under the contracts. Energy is generally sold at variable cost.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$25.8 million compared to \$26.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to lower energy revenues related to a 7.7% decrease in KWH sales resulting from reduced customer demand primarily caused by the recessionary economy.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$70.4 million compared to \$76.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to lower energy revenues related to a 17.1% decrease in KWH sales resulting from reduced customer demand primarily caused by the recessionary economy.

**Wholesale Revenues Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008 <i>(change in millions)</i>	Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008 <i>(change in millions)</i>
<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(16.4)	\$(69.8)
(81.7)	(77.9)

Wholesale revenues from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These affiliate sales are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC. These transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since the energy is generally sold at marginal cost.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$3.6 million compared to \$20.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to reduced customer demand resulting in a 63.0% decrease in KWH sales and a 50.6% decrease in price related to lower Power Pool interchange energy rates.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$19.7 million compared to \$89.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to reduced customer demand resulting in a 66.3% decrease in KWH sales and a 34.6% decrease in price related to lower Power Pool interchange energy rates.

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**Other Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008 (change in millions)	(% change)	Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008 (change in millions)	(% change)
\$2.7	16.7	\$9.8	21.8

In the third quarter 2009, other revenues were \$18.6 million compared to \$15.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, other revenues were \$54.8 million compared to \$45.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to other energy services and higher franchise fees. The increased revenues from other energy services did not have a material impact on net income since they were generally offset by associated expenses. Franchise fees have no impact on net income.

**Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses**

	Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
	(change in millions)	(% change)	(change in millions)	(% change)
Fuel*	\$(21.7)	(11.7)	\$(66.1)	(13.2)
Purchased power non-affiliates	(4.1)	(28.9)	(2.8)	(12.0)
Purchased power affiliates	(11.7)	(28.5)	(8.5)	(12.8)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$(37.5)		\$(77.4)	

\* Fuel includes fuel purchased by Gulf Power for tolling agreements where power is generated by the provider and is included in purchased power when determining the average cost of purchased power.

In the third quarter 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$202.6 million compared to \$240.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The net decrease in fuel and purchased power expenses was primarily due to a \$24.9 million decrease in the cost of energy primarily resulting from a decrease in the average cost of natural gas and a \$12.6 million decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased.

For year-to-date 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$513.5 million compared to \$590.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The net decrease in fuel and purchased power expenses was primarily due to a \$50.4 million decrease related to total KWHs generated and purchased and a \$27.0 million decrease in the cost of energy primarily resulting from a decrease in the average cost of natural gas.

Fuel and purchased power transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since energy expenses are generally offset by energy revenues through Gulf Power's fuel cost recovery clause. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - FERC and Florida PSC Matters - Retail Regulatory Matters herein for additional information. Details of Gulf Power's cost of generation and purchased power are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009 (cents per net KWH)	Third Quarter 2008 (cents per net KWH)	Percent Change	Year-to-Date 2009 (cents per net KWH)	Year-to-Date 2008 (cents per net KWH)	Percent Change
Average Cost	4.59	4.54	1.1	4.46	4.20	6.2
Fuel	7.98	13.09	(39.0)	6.78	11.07	(38.8)
Purchased power						



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In the third quarter 2009, fuel expense was \$163.3 million compared to \$185.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease of 42.3% in the average cost of natural gas prices and a decrease of 13.9% in KWHs generated as a result of lower demand, partially offset by an increase of 17.5% in the average cost of coal per KWH generated.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel expense was \$435.0 million compared to \$501.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease of 39.7% in the average cost of natural gas prices and a decrease of 19.0% in KWHs generated as a result of lower demand, partially offset by an increase of 22.5% in the average cost of coal per KWH generated.

*Non-Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$9.9 million compared to \$14.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related to a 51.8% decrease in the volume of KWHs purchased, partially offset by a 77.7% increase in average cost per KWH purchased.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$20.5 million compared to \$23.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related to an 11.2% decrease in the volume of KWHs purchased, partially offset by a 15.3% increase in average cost per KWH purchased.

Energy purchases from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy being lower than the cost of Southern Company system-generated energy, demand for energy within the Southern Company system service territory, and the availability of Southern Company system generation.

*Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$29.4 million compared to \$41.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related to a 56.8% decrease in average cost per KWH purchased, partially offset by a 66.5% increase in the volume of KWHs purchased from lower-priced Power Pool resources.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$58.0 million compared to \$66.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily related to a 52.8% decrease in average cost per KWH purchased, partially offset by an 85.5% increase in the volume of KWHs purchased from lower-priced Power Pool resources.

Energy purchases from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These purchases are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC.

*Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses*

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008	Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008
(change in millions)                      (% change)	(change in millions)                      (% change)
\$(7.8)    (12.0)	\$(2.5)    (1.3)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$57.4 million compared to \$65.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to an \$8.0 million decrease in storm recovery costs and a \$1.9 million decrease in maintenance at generation facilities, partially offset by \$1.9 million in increased expense from other energy services. The decreased storm recovery costs and the increased

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expense from other energy services did not have a material impact on earnings since they were offset by associated revenues.

For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$194.9 million compared to \$197.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$9.7 million decrease in storm recovery costs, partially offset by a \$7.4 million increase in other energy services. The decreased storm recovery costs and the increased expense from other energy services did not have a material impact on earnings since they were offset by associated revenues.

**Depreciation and Amortization**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$1.2	5.2	\$3.6	5.5

In the third quarter 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$23.5 million compared to \$22.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$69.8 million compared to \$66.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to net additions to generation and distribution facilities.

**Taxes Other Than Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$1.6	6.4	\$5.5	8.3

In the third quarter 2009, taxes other than income taxes were \$26.7 million compared to \$25.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, taxes other than income taxes were \$72.1 million compared to \$66.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to increases in franchise fees and gross receipt taxes, which have no impact on net income.

**Allowance for Equity Funds Used During Construction**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$4.1	154.8	\$11.1	179.8

In the third quarter 2009, AFUDC was \$6.8 million compared to \$2.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, AFUDC was \$17.3 million compared to \$6.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These increases were primarily due to the construction of environmental control projects.

**Interest Income**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(0.8)	(85.9)	\$(1.9)	(81.9)

In the third quarter 2009, interest income was \$0.1 million compared to \$0.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, interest income was \$0.4 million compared to \$2.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These decreases were primarily due to decreases in interest received related to the recovery of financing costs associated with the fuel clause.





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**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(1.2)	(11.7)	\$(3.2)	(9.8)

In the third quarter 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$9.3 million compared to \$10.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$29.0 million compared to \$32.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. These decreases were primarily the result of an increase in capitalization of AFUDC related to the construction of environmental control projects.

**Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(0.8)	(3.7)	\$(3.2)	(6.6)

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$22.1 million compared to \$22.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to an increase in the tax benefit associated with an increase in AFUDC, which is non-taxable.

For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$45.3 million compared to \$48.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to an increase in the tax benefit associated with an increase in AFUDC, which is non-taxable, and state tax credits, partially offset by higher pre-tax income.

**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Gulf Power's future earnings potential. The level of Gulf Power's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Gulf Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include Gulf Power's ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs. Future earnings in the near term will depend, in part, upon maintaining energy sales, which is subject to a number of factors. These factors include weather, competition, new energy contracts with neighboring utilities, energy conservation practiced by customers, the price of electricity, the price elasticity of demand, and the rate of economic growth or decline in Gulf Power's service area. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted sales and are expected to continue to have a negative impact, particularly to industrial and commercial customers. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings. For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**Environmental Matters**

Compliance costs related to the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations could affect earnings if such costs cannot continue to be fully recovered in rates on a timely basis. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Environmental Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

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***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

*New York Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation New York Case of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation New York Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs' claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

*Kivalina Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation Kivalina Case of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation Kivalina Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

***Air Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Air Quality of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the eight-hour ozone standard. On September 16, 2009, the EPA announced that it would reconsider its March 2008 decision regarding the eight-hour ozone standard, potentially resulting in a more stringent standard and designation of additional nonattainment areas within Gulf Power's service territory. The EPA is expected to propose any revisions to the standard by December 2009 and issue a final decision by August 2010. The impact of a more stringent standard will depend on the proposed and final regulations and resolution of any legal challenges and cannot be determined at this time.

***Water Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Water Quality of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the EPA's regulation of cooling water intake structures. On April 1, 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit's decision with respect to the rule's use of cost-benefit analysis and held that the EPA could consider costs in arriving at its standards and in providing variances from those standards for existing power plant cooling water intake structures. Other aspects of the court's decision were not appealed and remain unaffected by the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling. While the U.S. Supreme Court's decision may ultimately result in greater flexibility for demonstrating compliance with the standards, the full scope of the regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rule's implementation, and the actual requirements established by state regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

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***Global Climate Issues***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Global Climate Issues of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on Gulf Power's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future unit retirement and replacement decisions and results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

**FERC and Florida PSC Matters**

***Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding

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initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

***Retail Regulatory Matters***

Gulf Power has established fuel cost recovery rates approved by the Florida PSC. In recent years, Gulf Power has experienced higher than expected fuel costs for coal and natural gas. If the projected fuel cost over or under recovery balance at year-end exceeds 10% of the projected fuel revenue applicable for the period, Gulf Power is required to notify the Florida PSC and indicate if an adjustment to the fuel cost recovery factor is being requested.

Under recovered fuel costs at September 30, 2009 totaled \$26.1 million, compared to \$96.7 million at December 31, 2008. This amount is included in under recovered regulatory clause revenues on Gulf Power's Condensed Balance Sheets herein. Fuel cost recovery revenues, as recorded on the financial statements, are adjusted for differences in actual recoverable costs and amounts billed in current regulated rates. Accordingly, any change in the billing factor would have no significant effect on Gulf Power's revenues or net income, but would affect cash flow.

On November 4, 2009, the Florida PSC approved Gulf Power's annual rate clause requests for its purchased power capacity, conservation, and environmental compliance cost recovery factors for 2010. A decision from the Florida PSC on Gulf Power's annual rate clause request for its 2010 fuel cost recovery factor is expected in December 2009. The net effect of the approved and proposed changes to Gulf Power's cost recovery factors for 2010 is a 3.9% rate increase for residential customers using 1,000 KWHs per month. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Revenues and Retail Regulatory Matters, respectively, in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

**Legislation**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives, which could have a significant impact on the future cash flow and net income of Gulf Power. Gulf Power estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be between approximately \$13 million and \$16 million. On October 27, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries received notice that an award of \$165 million had been granted, of which \$15.5 million relates to Gulf Power, under its ARRA grant application for transmission and distribution automation and modernization projects pending final negotiations. Gulf Power continues to assess the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

**Other Matters**

On March 16, 2009, Gulf Power entered into a PPA (the Agreement) with Shell Energy North America (US), L.P. (Shell). Under the terms of the Agreement, Gulf Power will be entitled to all of the capacity and energy from an approximately 885 MW combined cycle power plant (the Plant) located in Autauga County, Alabama that is owned and operated by Tenaska Alabama II Partners, L.P. (Tenaska). Shell is entitled to all of the capacity and energy from the Plant under a 20-year Energy Conversion Agreement between Shell and Tenaska that expires on May 24, 2023. On July 14, 2009, the Florida PSC approved the Agreement. On October 17, 2009, the Florida PSC's approval became a final, non-appealable order. The Agreement became effective on November 1, 2009. Unless earlier terminated in accordance with its terms, the Agreement will

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terminate on May 24, 2023. Payments under the Agreement will be material. However, these costs have been approved by the Florida PSC for recovery through Gulf Power's fuel clause and purchased power capacity clause; therefore, no material impact is expected on Gulf Power's net income.

Gulf Power is involved in various other matters being litigated and regulatory matters that could affect future earnings. In addition, Gulf Power is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Gulf Power's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against Gulf Power cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Gulf Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Gulf Power's financial statements.

See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Gulf Power prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Gulf Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Gulf Power's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in the financial statements. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ACCOUNTING POLICIES Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Gulf Power's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Electric Utility Regulation, Contingent Obligations, and Unbilled Revenues.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Gulf Power is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.

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**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Gulf Power's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Gulf Power has maintained adequate access to capital without drawing on any of its committed bank credit arrangements used to support its commercial paper borrowings and variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Gulf Power intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Gulf Power has been and expects to continue to be subject to higher costs as its existing facilities are replaced or renewed. Total committed credit fees at Gulf Power currently average less than <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of 1% per year. Gulf Power's interest cost for short-term debt has decreased as market short-term interest rates have declined from 2008 levels. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. Gulf Power experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. See "Sources of Capital" and "Financing Activities" herein for additional information.

Gulf Power's investments in pension trust funds remained stable during the third quarter 2009. Gulf Power expects that the earliest that cash may have to be contributed to the pension trust fund is 2012 and such contribution could be significant; however, projections of the amount vary significantly depending on key variables including future trust fund performance and cannot be determined at this time.

Net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$148.2 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$90.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$57.8 million increase in cash provided from operating activities was primarily due to a \$118.8 million increase in cash from under recovered regulatory clause revenues related to fuel, partially offset by a \$28.1 million increase in cash payments for fossil fuel inventory and a \$27.0 million decrease in deferred income taxes. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$375.7 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$227.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$147.9 million increase was primarily due to gross property additions to utility plant. These additions were primarily related to installation of equipment to comply with environmental requirements. Net cash provided from financing activities totaled \$233.0 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$174.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$58.5 million increase in cash provided from financing activities was primarily due to the issuances of \$140.0 million of senior notes, \$135.0 million of common stock to Southern Company, and \$130.4 million of pollution control revenue bonds in 2009, partially offset by an issuance of \$110.0 million of long-term debt in 2008, a \$71.8 million decrease of capital contributions from Southern Company, and a \$159.4 million increase in cash payments related to notes payable.

Significant balance sheet changes for the first nine months of 2009 include a net increase of \$293.7 million in property, plant, and equipment, primarily related to environmental control projects; the issuance of \$140.0 million in senior notes; the issuance of common stock to Southern Company for \$135.0 million; the issuance of \$130.4 million of pollution control revenue bonds, with a related restricted cash balance of \$21.0 million; an increase in fossil fuel stock of \$52.6 million; an increase in customer accounts receivable and unbilled revenues of \$31.1 million; and a \$66.8 million decrease in under recovered regulatory clause revenues primarily related to fuel.

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**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Gulf Power's capital requirements for its construction program, maturities of long-term debt, leases, derivative obligations, preference stock dividends, purchase commitments, and trust funding requirements. Approximately \$140 million will be required through September 30, 2010 to fund maturities of debt. The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of numerous factors. These factors include: changes in business conditions; changes in load projections; storm impacts; changes in environmental statutes and regulations; changes in FERC rules and regulations; Florida PSC approvals; changes in legislation; the cost and efficiency of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital. In addition, there can be no assurance that costs related to capital expenditures will be fully recovered.

**Sources of Capital**

Gulf Power plans to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes from sources similar to those utilized in the past. Recently, Gulf Power has utilized funds from operating cash flows, short-term debt, security offerings, a long-term bank note, and equity contributions from Southern Company. However, the amount, type, and timing of any future financings, if needed, will depend upon regulatory approval, prevailing market conditions, and other factors. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital of Gulf Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information. Gulf Power's current liabilities frequently exceed current assets because of the continued use of short-term debt as a funding source to meet cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business. To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, Gulf Power had at September 30, 2009 approximately \$8.9 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$220 million of unused committed lines of credit with banks. Of these credit agreements, \$60 million expire in 2009, \$160 million expire in 2010, and \$70 million of these facilities contain provisions allowing one-year term loans executable at expiration. Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Gulf Power renewed \$40 million of its credit facilities that were set to expire in 2009 and extended the maturity dates to 2010. Gulf Power expects to renew its credit facilities, as needed, prior to expiration. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Bank Credit Arrangements in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Bank Credit Arrangements herein for additional information. These credit arrangements provide liquidity support to Gulf Power's commercial paper borrowings and \$69 million are dedicated to funding purchase obligations related to variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Gulf Power may meet short-term cash needs through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper at the request and for the benefit of Gulf Power and other Southern Company subsidiaries. At September 30, 2009, Gulf Power had \$36.9 million of commercial paper outstanding. Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing the commercial paper program, lines of credit, and cash.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Gulf Power does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change to BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are for physical electricity purchases and sales, fuel transportation and storage, emissions allowances, and energy price risk management. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$58 million. At September 30, 2009,



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the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$384 million. Included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Gulf Power's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market. On September 2, 2009, Moody's affirmed the credit ratings of Gulf Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper of A2/P-1, respectively, and revised the rating outlook to negative. On October 6, 2009, Standard and Poor's affirmed the credit ratings of Gulf Power's senior unsecured notes and its short-term credit rating of A/A-1, respectively, and maintained its stable rating outlook. On September 4, 2009, Fitch affirmed Gulf Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper ratings of A+/F1, respectively, and maintained a stable rating outlook for Gulf Power.

**Market Price Risk**

Gulf Power's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Gulf Power is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposures on existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined.

Due to cost-based rate regulation, Gulf Power continues to have limited exposure to market volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, Gulf Power enters into physical fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market. Gulf Power continues to manage a fuel-hedging program implemented per the guidelines of the Florida PSC. As such, Gulf Power has no material change in market risk exposure when compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period.

The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(28.2)	\$ (31.2)
Contracts realized or settled	12.5	35.6
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	0.6	(19.5)
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(15.1)	\$ (15.1)

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The increases in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were \$13 million and \$16 million, respectively, substantially all of which is due to natural gas positions. These changes are attributable to both the volume and prices of natural gas. At September 30, 2009, Gulf Power had a net hedge volume of 12 million mmBtu with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.23 per mmBtu above market prices, compared to 15 million mmBtu at June 30, 2009 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.95 per mmBtu above market prices and compared to 14 million mmBtu at December 31, 2008 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$2.24 per mmBtu above market prices.

Natural gas hedge settlements are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clause.

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At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Regulatory hedges	\$(15.1)	\$ (31.2)
Not designated		
Total fair value	\$(15.1)	\$ (31.2)

Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate to Gulf Power's fuel hedging program where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as they are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clause. Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Unrealized pre-tax gains and losses recognized in income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were not material.

The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	<b>Fair Value Measurements</b>			
	Total	Maturity		
	Fair Value	Year 1	Years 2&3	Years 4&5
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	(15.1)	(12.0)	(3.2)	0.1
Level 3				
Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period	\$(15.1)	\$(12.0)	\$(3.2)	\$ 0.1

Gulf Power uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY - Market Price Risk of Gulf Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Gulf Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.

**Financing Activities**

On January 22, 2009, Gulf Power issued to Southern Company 1,350,000 shares of Gulf Power common stock, without par value, and realized proceeds of \$135 million. The proceeds were used to repay a portion of Gulf Power's short-term debt and for other general corporate purposes, including Gulf Power's continuous construction program.



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In March 2009, Gulf Power incurred obligations related to the issuance of \$130.4 million of pollution control revenue bonds. The proceeds are being used for the acquisition, construction, installation, and equipping of certain solid waste disposal facilities located at Plant Crist.

In June 2009, Gulf Power issued \$140 million of Series 2009A Floating Rate Senior Notes due June 28, 2010. The proceeds were used to repay a portion of short-term indebtedness and for other general corporate purposes, including Gulf Power's continuous construction program.

In July 2009, Gulf Power entered into a forward starting interest rate swap to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The notional amount of the swap is \$50 million, and the swap has been designated as a cash flow hedge.

Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Gulf Power entered into another forward starting interest rate swap to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The notional amount of the swap is \$50 million, and the swap has been designated as a cash flow hedge.

In addition to any financings that may be necessary to meet capital requirements, contractual obligations, and storm-recovery, Gulf Power plans to continue, when economically feasible, a program to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit.

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CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Retail revenues	<b>\$ 231,894</b>	\$ 241,788	<b>\$ 608,761</b>	\$ 597,298
Wholesale revenues, non-affiliates	<b>81,242</b>	106,595	<b>235,089</b>	274,996
Wholesale revenues, affiliates	<b>13,404</b>	28,908	<b>30,785</b>	79,833
Other revenues	<b>4,140</b>	4,124	<b>11,449</b>	12,636
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>330,680</b>	381,415	<b>886,084</b>	964,763
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	<b>148,115</b>	174,300	<b>393,912</b>	443,273
Purchased power, non-affiliates	<b>1,666</b>	13,777	<b>7,374</b>	21,458
Purchased power, affiliates	<b>21,946</b>	35,421	<b>65,346</b>	78,903
Other operations and maintenance	<b>61,138</b>	64,828	<b>182,500</b>	192,969
Depreciation and amortization	<b>17,707</b>	17,229	<b>53,382</b>	52,327
Taxes other than income taxes	<b>17,033</b>	17,142	<b>48,178</b>	48,993
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>267,605</b>	322,697	<b>750,692</b>	837,923
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>63,075</b>	58,718	<b>135,392</b>	126,840
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Interest income	<b>34</b>	403	<b>829</b>	996
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	<b>(6,075)</b>	(4,504)	<b>(17,091)</b>	(13,336)
Other income (expense), net	<b>474</b>	1,507	<b>3,239</b>	6,025
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(5,567)</b>	(2,594)	<b>(13,023)</b>	(6,315)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>57,508</b>	56,124	<b>122,369</b>	120,525
Income taxes	<b>22,177</b>	19,474	<b>46,268</b>	42,832
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>35,331</b>	36,650	<b>76,101</b>	77,693
<b>Dividends on Preferred Stock</b>	<b>433</b>	433	<b>1,299</b>	1,299
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred Stock</b>	<b>\$ 34,898</b>	\$ 36,217	<b>\$ 74,802</b>	\$ 76,394

CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)

	For the Three Months Ended September 30,		For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>		<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Net Income After Dividends on Preferred Stock</b>	<b>\$ 34,898</b>	\$ 36,217	<b>\$ 74,802</b>	\$ 76,394
Other comprehensive income (loss):				

Qualifying hedges:

Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(27), \$1,285, \$-, and \$(169), respectively

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**Comprehensive Income**

**\$ 34,854** \$ 38,292 **\$ 74,802** \$ 76,122

The accompanying notes as they relate to Mississippi Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**CONDENSED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	<b>2009</b>	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 76,101	\$ 77,693
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	58,929	56,026
Deferred income taxes and investment tax credits, net	(27,430)	5,112
Pension, postretirement, and other employee benefits	5,817	6,088
Stock option expense	822	639
Tax benefit of stock options	17	473
Generation construction screening expense	(21,955)	(12,278)
Other, net	214	(15,111)
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	48,512	(36,440)
-Fossil fuel stock	(42,838)	(26,810)
-Materials and supplies	(1,782)	(2,961)
-Prepaid income taxes	1,061	1,187
-Other current assets	(9,783)	4,098
-Other accounts payable	(26,354)	10,195
-Accrued taxes	13,430	(6,998)
-Accrued compensation	(10,238)	(8,066)
-Other current liabilities	20,694	17,355
Net cash provided from operating activities	85,217	70,202
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(72,661)	(100,490)
Cost of removal, net of salvage	(9,911)	(3,497)
Construction payables	(3,949)	(5,201)
Hurricane Katrina capital grant proceeds		7,314
Other investing activities	(2,150)	2,422
Net cash used for investing activities	(88,671)	(99,452)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Increase (decrease) in notes payable, net	(24,891)	44,608
Proceeds		
Capital contributions from parent company	3,330	4,222
Gross excess tax benefit of stock options	67	892
Senior notes issuances	125,000	
Other long-term debt issuances		80,000
Redemptions		
Pollution control revenue bonds		(7,900)
Senior notes	(40,000)	

Payment of preferred stock dividends	(1,299)	(1,299)
Payment of common stock dividends	(51,375)	(51,300)
Other financing activities	(1,781)	(1,475)
Net cash provided from financing activities	9,051	67,748
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>5,597</b>	<b>38,498</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>22,413</b>	<b>4,827</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 28,010</b>	<b>\$ 43,325</b>

**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for

Interest (net of \$117 and \$113 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively) \$ 15,824 \$ 12,054

Income taxes (net of refunds) \$ 48,008 \$ 38,710

The accompanying notes as they relate to Mississippi Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 28,010	\$ 22,413
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	51,841	40,262
Unbilled revenues	28,294	24,798
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues		54,994
Other accounts and notes receivable	7,097	8,995
Affiliated companies	17,414	24,108
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(1,338)	(1,039)
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	128,375	85,538
Materials and supplies, at average cost	28,925	27,143
Other regulatory assets, current	55,366	59,220
Prepaid income taxes	18,773	1,061
Other current assets	17,241	9,837
Total current assets	379,998	357,330
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	2,302,812	2,234,573
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	936,324	923,269
Plant in service, net of depreciation	1,366,488	1,311,304
Construction work in progress	43,162	70,665
Total property, plant, and equipment	1,409,650	1,381,969
<b>Other Property and Investments</b>	7,321	8,280
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	8,860	9,566
Other regulatory assets, deferred	184,897	171,680
Other deferred charges and assets	25,842	23,870
Total deferred charges and other assets	219,599	205,116
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,016,568</b>	<b>\$ 1,952,695</b>

The accompanying notes as they relate to Mississippi Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**CONDENSED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Securities due within one year	\$ 1,304	\$ 41,230
Notes payable	1,403	26,293
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	28,581	36,847
Other	41,667	63,704
Customer deposits	10,790	10,354
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	24,120	8,842
Other accrued taxes	40,647	50,700
Accrued interest	4,264	3,930
Accrued compensation	10,365	20,604
Other regulatory liabilities, current	9,783	9,718
Over recovered regulatory clause liabilities	20,466	
Liabilities from risk management activities	22,179	29,291
Other current liabilities	17,715	19,144
Total current liabilities	233,284	320,657
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	493,779	370,460
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	222,702	222,324
Deferred credits related to income taxes	11,862	14,074
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	13,121	14,014
Employee benefit obligations	145,598	142,188
Other cost of removal obligations	97,208	96,191
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	55,688	51,340
Other deferred credits and liabilities	46,434	52,216
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	592,613	592,347
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	1,319,676	1,283,464
<b>Redeemable Preferred Stock</b>	32,780	32,780
<b>Common Stockholder's Equity:</b>		
Common stock, without par value		
Authorized - 1,130,000 shares		
Outstanding - 1,121,000 shares	37,691	37,691
Paid-in capital	324,193	319,958

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Retained earnings	<b>302,228</b>	278,802
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)		
Total common stockholder's equity	<b>664,112</b>	636,451
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>	<b>\$ 2,016,568</b>	<b>\$ 1,952,695</b>

The accompanying notes as they relate to Mississippi Power are an integral part of these condensed financial statements.

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**OVERVIEW**

Mississippi Power operates as a vertically integrated utility providing electricity to retail customers within its traditional service area located within the State of Mississippi and to wholesale customers in the Southeast. Many factors affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Mississippi Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment, to maintain energy sales in the midst of the current economic downturn, and to effectively manage and secure timely recovery of rising costs. These costs include those related to projected long-term demand growth, increasingly stringent environmental standards, fuel prices, capital expenditures, and restoration following major storms. Mississippi Power has various regulatory mechanisms that operate to address cost recovery. Appropriately balancing required costs and capital expenditures with reasonable retail rates will continue to challenge Mississippi Power for the foreseeable future.

Mississippi Power continues to focus on several key performance indicators. In recognition that Mississippi Power's long-term financial success is dependent upon how well it satisfies its customers' needs, Mississippi Power's retail base rate mechanism, PEP, includes performance indicators that directly tie customer service indicators to Mississippi Power's allowed return. In addition to the PEP performance indicators, Mississippi Power focuses on other performance measures, including broader measures of customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and net income after dividends on preferred stock. For additional information on these indicators, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OVERVIEW Key Performance Indicators of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS*****Net Income***

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

*(change in millions)*  
\$(1.3)

*(% change)*  
(3.6)

*(change in millions)*  
\$(1.6)

*(% change)*  
(2.1)

Mississippi Power's net income after dividends on preferred stock for the third quarter 2009 was \$34.9 million compared to \$36.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease in net income after dividends on preferred stock for the third quarter 2009 was primarily due to decreases in wholesale energy revenues and total other income and (expense) and an increase in income tax expense. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in retail base revenues primarily resulting from increased sales in the industrial class, an increase in territorial wholesale base revenues due to a wholesale base rate increase and increased demand, as well as a decrease in other operations and maintenance expenses.

Mississippi Power's net income after dividends on preferred stock for year-to-date 2009 was \$74.8 million compared to \$76.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease in net income after dividends on preferred stock for year-to-date 2009 was primarily due to decreases in wholesale energy revenues and total other income and (expense) and an increase in income tax expense. The decrease was partially offset by an increase in territorial wholesale base revenues primarily resulting from an increase in territorial wholesale base rates and increased demand, as well as a decrease in other operations and maintenance expenses.

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**Retail Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(9.9)	(4.1)	\$11.5	1.9

In the third quarter 2009, retail revenues were \$231.9 million compared to \$241.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. For year-to-date 2009, retail revenues were \$608.8 million compared to \$597.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008.

Details of the change to retail revenues are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Retail prior year	\$241.8		\$597.3	
Estimated change in				
Rates and pricing	1.3	0.5	3.8	0.6
Sales growth (decline)	2.0	0.8	(0.5)	(0.1)
Weather	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.1
Fuel and other cost recovery	(13.6)	(5.6)	7.6	1.3
Retail current year	\$231.9	(4.1)%	\$608.8	1.9%

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing increased in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 due to a \$0.7 million increase related to the reclassification of 2008 System Restoration Rider (SRR) revenue reductions to expense pursuant to an order from the Mississippi PSC dated January 9, 2009 and an increase in retail revenues of approximately \$0.6 million related to the ECO Plan rate.

Revenues associated with changes in rates and pricing increased year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008 due to a \$2.9 million increase related to the reclassification of 2008 SRR revenue reductions to expense pursuant to an order from the Mississippi PSC dated January 9, 2009 and an increase in base rates of \$0.9 million related to a PEP rate change effective in mid-January 2008.

For additional information on SRR, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - System Restoration Rider of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales increased \$2.0 million in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008, primarily due to the impacts of Hurricane Gustav, which caused the temporary closure of casinos and numerous large industrial customers in September 2008. During the third quarter 2009, production levels improved for several larger industrial customers from previous recession-driven lows. KWH energy sales to industrial customers increased 8.7%.

Revenues attributable to changes in sales declined for year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008. Weather-adjusted KWH energy sales to residential and commercial customers decreased slightly, primarily due to a recessionary economy. KWH energy sales to industrial customers increased 1.9%. The increase in industrial sales is primarily due to increased production levels experienced by some industrial customers in the third quarter 2009 and the impacts of Hurricane Gustav in September 2008.





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Revenues attributable to changes in weather were not material in the third quarter and year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding periods in 2008.

Fuel and other cost recovery revenues decreased in the third quarter 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008, primarily due to lower recoverable fuel costs. Fuel and other cost recovery revenues increased year-to-date 2009 when compared to the corresponding period in 2008, primarily as a result of higher recoverable fuel costs.

Recoverable fuel costs include fuel and purchased power expenses reduced by the fuel portion of wholesale revenues from energy sold to customers outside Mississippi Power's service territory. Electric rates include provisions to adjust billings for fluctuations in fuel costs, including the energy component of purchased power costs. Under these provisions, fuel revenues generally equal fuel expenses, including the fuel component of purchased power costs, and do not affect net income.

**Wholesale Revenues - Non-Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(25.4)	(23.8)	\$(39.9)	(14.5)

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy compared to the cost of Mississippi Power and Southern Company system-owned generation, demand for energy within the Southern Company service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from non-affiliates were \$81.2 million compared to \$106.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to \$18.4 million in decreased revenues from customers outside Mississippi Power's service territory, and \$7.0 million in decreased revenues from customers inside Mississippi Power's service territory. The \$18.4 million decrease in revenues from customers outside Mississippi Power's service territory was primarily due to a \$10.5 million decrease associated with lower prices resulting from lower marginal cost of fuel, a \$7.8 million decrease in sales, and a \$0.1 million decrease in capacity revenues. The \$7.0 million decrease in revenues from customers inside Mississippi Power's service territory was primarily due to an \$8.8 million decrease in fuel costs, partially offset by a \$1.8 million increase due to higher demand by customers and a base rate increase effective in January 2009.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues to non-affiliates were \$235.1 million compared to \$275.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to \$45.8 million in decreased revenues from customers outside Mississippi Power's service territory, partially offset by \$5.9 million in increased revenues from customers inside Mississippi Power's service territory. The \$45.8 million decrease in revenues from customers outside Mississippi Power's service territory was primarily due to a \$34.9 million decrease associated with lower prices resulting from lower marginal cost of fuel, a \$10.5 million decrease in sales, and a \$0.4 million decrease in capacity revenues. The \$5.9 million increase in revenues from customers inside Mississippi Power's service territory was primarily due to a \$7.6 million increase resulting from higher demand by customers and a base rate increase effective in January 2009, as well as a \$0.2 million increase in ECO Plan revenues, partially offset by a \$1.9 million decrease in fuel costs.

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**Wholesale Revenues - Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(15.5)	(53.6)	\$(49.0)	(61.4)

Wholesale revenues from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These affiliate sales are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC. These transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since the energy is generally sold at marginal cost.

In the third quarter 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$13.4 million compared to \$28.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$16.2 million decrease in energy revenues, of which \$7.1 million was associated with decreased sales and \$9.1 million was associated with lower prices. Capacity revenues increased \$0.7 million.

For year-to-date 2009, wholesale revenues from affiliates were \$30.8 million compared to \$79.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$50.3 million decrease in energy revenues, of which \$38.8 million was associated with decreased sales and \$11.5 million was associated with lower prices. Capacity revenues increased \$1.3 million.

**Other Revenues**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
N/M	N/M	\$(1.2)	(9.4)

N/M Not Meaningful

In the third quarter 2009, the change in other revenues was not material when compared to the corresponding period in 2008.

For year-to-date 2009, other revenues were \$11.4 million compared to \$12.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$0.9 million decrease in transmission revenues and a \$0.6 million transmission contract buyout that occurred in 2008.

**Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses**

	Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Fuel	\$(26.2)	(15.0)	\$(49.4)	(11.1)
Purchased power - non-affiliates	(12.1)	(87.9)	(14.0)	(65.6)
Purchased power - affiliates	(13.5)	(38.0)	(13.6)	(17.2)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$(51.8)		\$(77.0)	

In the third quarter 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$171.7 million compared to \$223.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$46.9 million decrease in cost of fuel and purchased power and a \$4.9 million decrease related to the total KWHs generated and purchased.

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For year-to-date 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$466.6 million compared to \$543.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$59.1 million decrease in cost of fuel and purchased power and a \$17.9 million decrease related to the total KWHs generated and purchased.

Fuel and purchased power transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since energy expenses are generally offset by energy revenues through Mississippi Power's fuel cost recovery clause. See **FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL** - FERC and Mississippi PSC Matters - Retail Regulatory Matters herein for additional information. Details of Mississippi Power's cost of generation and purchased power are as follows:

	Third Quarter 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Third Quarter 2008 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Percent Change	Year-to-Date 2009 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Year-to-Date 2008 <i>(cents per net KWH)</i>	Percent Change
Average Cost						
Fuel	4.38	4.99	(12.2)	4.34	4.32	0.5
Purchased power	3.62	7.64	(52.6)	3.62	6.66	(45.7)

In the third quarter 2009, fuel expense was \$148.1 million compared to \$174.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a 12.2% decrease in the price of fuel primarily due to lower natural gas prices. Also contributing to the decrease was a 3.2% decrease in generation from Mississippi Power facilities resulting from purchased power available at lower cost and lower energy sales.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel expense was \$393.9 million compared to \$443.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to an 11.6% decrease in generation from Mississippi Power facilities resulting from purchased power available at lower cost and lower energy sales, partially offset by a 0.5% increase in the price of fuel primarily due to an increase in coal prices.

*Non-Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$1.7 million compared to \$13.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a 53.4% decrease in the average cost of purchased power per KWH and a 74.0% decrease in KWH volume purchased. The decrease in prices was due to a lower marginal cost of fuel while the decrease in volume was a result of available lower-cost Southern Company system generation resulting in less opportunity purchases.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from non-affiliates was \$7.4 million compared to \$21.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily the result of a 64.1% decrease in the average cost of purchased power per KWH and a 4.1% decrease in KWH volume purchased. The decrease in prices was due to a lower marginal cost of fuel while the decrease in volume was a result of available lower-cost Southern Company system generation resulting in less opportunity purchases.

Energy purchases from non-affiliates will vary depending on the market cost of available energy being lower than the cost of Southern Company system-generated energy, demand for energy within the Southern Company system service territory, and availability of Southern Company system generation.

*Affiliates*

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$21.9 million compared to \$35.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a 57.8% decrease in the average cost of purchased power per KWH, partially offset by a 60.7% increase in KWH volume purchased.

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For year-to-date 2009, purchased power from affiliates was \$65.3 million compared to \$78.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a 45.1% decrease in the average cost of purchased power per KWH, partially offset by a 51.0% increase in KWH volume purchased.

Energy purchases from affiliates will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company within the Southern Company system. These purchases are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC.

**Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

(change in millions)  
\$(3.7)

(% change)  
(5.7)

(change in millions)  
\$(10.5)

(% change)  
(5.4)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$61.1 million compared to \$64.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$1.8 million reduction in production outage expenses and a \$1.7 million reduction of generation construction screening expenses incurred in the third quarter 2008 which were originally expensed and subsequently reclassified in the fourth quarter 2008 to a regulatory asset upon the FERC's acceptance of the wholesale rate filing in October 2008. Also contributing to the change was a \$1.5 million decrease in transmission and distribution expenses as a result of the timing of projects and overall reductions in spending. These decreases were partially offset by a \$1.5 million increase in administrative and general expenses primarily due to an increase in property insurance expense.

For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$182.5 million compared to \$193.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to \$5.9 million of generation construction screening expenses incurred in the first nine months of 2008 which were originally expensed and subsequently reclassified in the fourth quarter 2008 to a regulatory asset upon the FERC's acceptance of the wholesale rate filing in October 2008. Also contributing to the change was an \$8.0 million decrease in transmission, distribution, and generation expenses as a result of timing of projects and overall reductions in spending and a \$1.2 million decrease in generation-related environmental expenses. These decreases were partially offset by a \$3.6 million increase in expenses for the combined cycle long-term service agreement due to a 45% increase in operating hours as a result of the lower gas prices and a \$2.1 million increase in administrative and general expenses primarily due to an increase in property insurance expense.

See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under "FERC Matters" in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

(change in millions)  
\$1.6

(% change)  
34.9

(change in millions)  
\$3.8

(% change)  
28.2

In the third quarter 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$6.1 million compared to \$4.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was due to a \$1.5 million increase in interest expense associated with the issuance of new long-term debt in November 2008 and March 2009 and a \$0.1 million increase of commitment fees.

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For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$17.1 million compared to \$13.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to a \$3.8 million increase in interest expense associated with the issuance of new long-term debt in November 2008 and March 2009 and a \$0.4 million increase in commitment fees, partially offset by a \$0.5 million decrease in interest expense related to short-term indebtedness. For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Financing Activities of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K and FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Financing Activities herein for additional information.

**Other Income (Expense), Net**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(1.0)	(68.5)	\$(2.8)	(46.2)

In the third quarter 2009, other income (expense), net was \$0.5 million compared to \$1.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$2.7 million decrease in customer projects and a \$0.2 million decrease in allowance for equity funds used during construction, partially offset by a \$1.9 million increase due to mark-to-market gains on energy-related derivative positions.

For year-to-date 2009, other income (expense), net was \$3.2 million compared to \$6.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a \$1.9 million decrease in customer projects and a decrease in amounts collected from customers for construction of substation projects which had a tax effect of \$0.8 million.

**Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$2.7	13.9	\$3.5	8.0

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$22.2 million compared to \$19.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to a \$1.1 million increase due to the actualization of the 2008 tax return in the third quarter 2009, a \$0.9 million increase in unrecognized tax benefits, a \$0.8 million increase resulting from the increase in pre-tax income, and an increase in income taxes resulting from fully amortizing a regulatory liability through income taxes in 2008 of \$0.3 million pursuant to a December 2007 regulatory accounting order from the Mississippi PSC, partially offset by a \$0.4 million decrease due to a higher production activities deduction.

For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$46.3 million compared to \$42.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to a \$1.1 million increase due to the actualization of the 2008 tax return in the third quarter 2009, a \$1.1 million increase resulting from the increase in pre-tax income, an increase in income taxes resulting from fully amortizing a regulatory liability through income taxes in 2008 of \$1.0 million pursuant to a December 2007 regulatory accounting order from the Mississippi PSC, and a \$0.4 million increase in unrecognized tax benefits, partially offset by a \$0.2 million decrease due to a higher Mississippi manufacturing investment tax credit.

See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Retail Regulatory Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

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**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Mississippi Power's future earnings potential. The level of Mississippi Power's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Mississippi Power's business of selling electricity. These factors include Mississippi Power's ability to maintain a constructive regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs. Future earnings in the near term will depend, in part, upon maintaining energy sales, which is subject to a number of factors. These factors include weather, competition, new energy contracts with neighboring utilities, energy conservation practiced by customers, the price of electricity, the price elasticity of demand, and the rate of economic growth or decline in Mississippi Power's service area. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted sales and are expected to continue to have a negative impact. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings. For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**Environmental Matters**

Compliance costs related to the Clean Air Act and other environmental statutes and regulations could affect earnings if such costs cannot continue to be fully recovered in rates on a timely basis. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Environmental Matters in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

*New York Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - New York Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

*Kivalina Case*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Environmental Matters - Carbon Dioxide Litigation - Kivalina Case in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

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***Air Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Air Quality of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the eight-hour ozone standard. On September 16, 2009, the EPA announced that it would reconsider its March 2008 decision regarding the eight-hour ozone standard, potentially resulting in a more stringent standard and designation of additional nonattainment areas within Mississippi Power's service territory. The EPA is expected to propose any revisions to the standard by December 2009 and issue a final decision by August 2010. The impact of a more stringent standard will depend on the proposed and final regulations and resolution of any legal challenges and cannot be determined at this time.

***Water Quality***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Environmental Statutes and Regulations Water Quality of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding the EPA's regulation of cooling water intake structures. On April 1, 2009, the U.S. Supreme Court reversed the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit's decision with respect to the rule's use of cost-benefit analysis and held that the EPA could consider costs in arriving at its standards and in providing variances from those standards for existing power plant cooling water intake structures. Other aspects of the court's decision were not appealed and remain unaffected by the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling. While the U.S. Supreme Court's decision may ultimately result in greater flexibility for demonstrating compliance with the standards, the full scope of the regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rule's implementation, and the actual requirements established by state regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

***Global Climate Issues***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Global Climate Issues of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however,



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mandatory restrictions on Mississippi Power's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future unit retirement and replacement decisions and results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

**FERC and Mississippi PSC Matters*****Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS—FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL—FERC Matters—Market-Based Rate Authority of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under FERC Matters—Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

***Retail Regulatory Matters******Environmental Compliance Overview Plan***

See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Retail Regulatory Matters—Environmental Compliance Overview Plan in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information on Mississippi Power's annual environmental filing with the Mississippi PSC. On February 3, 2009, Mississippi Power submitted its 2009 ECO Plan notice which proposed an increase in annual revenue for Mississippi Power of approximately \$1.5 million. On June 19, 2009, the Mississippi PSC approved the ECO Plan with the new rates effective June 2009.

***Performance Evaluation Plan***

The Mississippi Public Utilities Staff, pursuant to the Mississippi PSC's 2004 order approving the current PEP, is reviewing the PEP to determine if any modifications should be made. On March 2, 2009, concurrent with this review, the annual PEP evaluation filing for 2009 was suspended. The suspension of the PEP filing for 2009 will not have a material impact on 2009 earnings. On August 3, 2009, the Mississippi Public Utilities Staff and Mississippi Power filed a joint report with the Mississippi PSC proposing several changes to the PEP which will result in a lower performance incentive under the PEP and therefore smaller and/or less frequent rate changes in the future. On November 2, 2009, the revised PEP was approved. Annual evaluations will resume for 2010 under the PEP. See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Retail Regulatory Matters—Performance Evaluation Plan in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding Mississippi Power's base rates.

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On March 16, 2009, Mississippi Power submitted its annual PEP lookback filing for 2008, which recommended no surcharge or refund. On September 1, 2009, Mississippi Power, along with the Mississippi Public Utilities Staff, agreed and stipulated that no surcharge or refund is required.

*System Restoration Rider*

On September 10, 2009, the Mississippi PSC issued an order requiring Mississippi Power to develop SRR factors designed to reduce SRR revenue by approximately \$1.5 million. The revised SRR factors will be in effect from November 2009 to March 2010.

*Fuel Cost Recovery*

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - PSC Matters - Fuel Cost Recovery of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding Mississippi Power's fuel cost recovery. The Mississippi PSC approved the retail fuel cost recovery factor on March 3, 2009, with the new rates effective in March 2009. The retail fuel cost recovery factor will result in an annual increase in an amount equal to 10.3% of total 2008 retail revenues based on ten months of recovery under the new rate. At September 30, 2009, the amount of over recovered retail fuel costs included in the balance sheet was \$10.6 million compared to \$36.0 million under recovered at December 31, 2008. Mississippi Power also has a wholesale Municipal and Rural Associations (MRA) and Market Base (MB) fuel cost recovery factor. Effective January 1, 2009, the wholesale MRA fuel rate increased resulting in an annual increase in an amount equal to 13.9% of total 2008 MRA revenues. Effective February 1, 2009, the wholesale MB fuel rate increased resulting in an annual increase in an amount equal to 16.7% of total 2008 MB revenues. At September 30, 2009, the amount of over recovered wholesale MRA and MB fuel costs included in the balance sheet was \$9.1 million and \$0.8 million compared to an under recovery of \$15.4 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, at December 31, 2008. Mississippi Power's operating revenues are adjusted for differences in actual recoverable fuel cost and amounts billed in accordance with the currently approved cost recovery rate. Accordingly, this increase to the billing factor will have no significant effect on Mississippi Power's revenues or net income, but will increase annual cash flow.

In October 2008, the Mississippi PSC opened a docket to investigate and review interest and carrying charges under the fuel adjustment clause for utilities within the State of Mississippi, including Mississippi Power. A hearing was held in November 2008 to hear testimony regarding the method of calculating carrying charges on over and under recoveries of fuel-related costs. On March 4, 2009, the Mississippi PSC issued an order to apply the prime rate in calculating the carrying costs on the retail over or under recovery balances related to fuel cost recovery. On May 20, 2009, Mississippi Power filed the carrying cost calculation methodology as part of its compliance filing.

In August 2009, the Mississippi PSC engaged an independent professional audit firm to conduct an audit of Mississippi Power's fuel-related expenditures included in the fuel adjustment clause and the energy cost management clause for 2008 and 2009. The audit is scheduled to be completed in January 2010. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

*Storm Damage Cost Recovery*

On March 2, 2009, Mississippi Power filed its Notice of Final Accounting related to Hurricane Katrina storm restoration costs and storm operations facility costs. An independent auditor on behalf of the Mississippi PSC is currently conducting an audit of these costs. Mississippi Power expects this audit to be completed by the end of 2009. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined. See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Retail Regulatory Matters - Storm Damage Cost Recovery in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding Mississippi Power's storm restoration costs.

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**Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Integrated Coal Gasification Combined Cycle in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the Kemper IGCC.

On May 11, 2009, Mississippi Power received notification from the IRS formally certifying the Internal Revenue Code Section 48A tax credits of \$133 million to Mississippi Power. The utilization of these credits is dependent upon meeting the certification requirements for the Kemper IGCC, including an in-service date no later than May 2014.

On April 6, 2009, the Governor of the State of Mississippi signed into law a bill that will provide an ad valorem tax exemption for a portion of the assessed value of all property utilized in certain electric generating facilities with integrated gasification process facilities. This tax exemption, which may not exceed 50% of the total value of the project, is for projects with a capital investment from private sources of \$1 billion or more. Mississippi Power expects the Kemper IGCC, including the gasification portion, to be a qualifying project under the law.

On April 6, 2009, Mississippi Power received an accounting order from the Mississippi PSC directing Mississippi Power to continue to charge all generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening costs to regulatory assets including those costs associated with activities to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity and costs necessary and prudent to preserve the availability, economic viability, and/or required schedule of the Kemper IGCC generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities until the Mississippi PSC makes findings and determination as to the recovery of Mississippi Power's prudent expenditures. The Mississippi PSC's determination of prudence for Mississippi Power's pre-construction costs is scheduled to occur by May 2010. As of September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power had spent a total of \$64.5 million associated with Mississippi Power's generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities, including regulatory filing costs. Costs incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 totaled \$22.2 million as compared to \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Of the total \$64.5 million, \$59.8 million was deferred in other regulatory assets, \$3.9 million was related to land purchases capitalized, and \$0.8 million was previously expensed.

Several motions were filed by intervenors, most of which were procedural in nature and sought to stay or delay the timely and orderly administration of the docket. In addition to these procedural motions, a motion was filed by the Attorney General for the State of Mississippi which questioned whether the Mississippi PSC had authority to approve the gasification portion of the Kemper IGCC. On June 5, 2009, all of these motions were denied by the Mississippi PSC.

On June 5, 2009, the Mississippi PSC issued an order initiating an evaluation of the Kemper IGCC and establishing a two-phase procedural schedule. During Phase I, the Mississippi PSC will determine if a need exists for new generating resources. Hearings for Phase I were held in October 2009, and a decision is expected in November 2009. If it is determined a need exists in Phase I, the appropriate resource to fill the need as well as the cost recovery of that resource through application of the State of Mississippi's Baseload Act of 2008 will be determined during Phase II. Hearings regarding Phase II issues are scheduled for February 2010 with a decision by May 2010. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL PSC Matters Mississippi Base Load Construction Legislation of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the Baseload Act of 2008.

On September 15, 2009, South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) signed a non-binding letter of intent to explore the acquisition of an interest in the Kemper IGCC. Mississippi Power and SMEPA are

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evaluating a combination of a joint ownership arrangement and a PPA which would provide SMEPA with up to 20% of the capacity and associated energy output from the Kemper IGCC.

The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

**Legislation**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives, which could have a significant impact on the future cash flow and net income of Mississippi Power. Mississippi Power estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be between approximately \$11 million and \$14 million. On October 27, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries received notice that an award of \$165 million had been granted, of which \$25 million relates to Mississippi Power, under its ARRA grant application for transmission and distribution automation and modernization projects pending final negotiations. Mississippi Power continues to assess the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

**Other Matters**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Other Matters of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) contract. On June 3, 2009, Mississippi Power's 10-year power supply agreement with SMEPA for approximately 152 MW effective April 1, 2011 was approved by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utilities Service.

Mississippi Power is involved in various other matters being litigated and regulatory matters that could affect future earnings. In addition, Mississippi Power is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Mississippi Power's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against Mississippi Power cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Mississippi Power's financial statements.

See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Mississippi Power prepares its financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Mississippi Power's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in

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the financial statements. See **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS ACCOUNTING POLICIES** Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Mississippi Power's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Electric Utility Regulation, Contingent Obligations, Unbilled Revenues, and Plant Daniel Operating Lease.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Mississippi Power is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.

**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Mississippi Power's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Mississippi Power has maintained adequate access to capital without drawing on any of its committed bank credit arrangements used to support its commercial paper borrowings and variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Mississippi Power intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Mississippi Power has been and expects to continue to be subject to higher costs as its existing facilities are replaced or renewed. Total committed credit fees at Mississippi Power currently average less than 1/4 of 1% per year. Mississippi Power's interest cost for short-term debt has decreased as market short-term interest rates have declined from 2008 levels. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. Mississippi Power experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. See **Sources of Capital and Financing Activities** herein for additional information. Mississippi Power's investments in pension trust funds remained stable during the third quarter 2009. Mississippi Power expects that the earliest that cash may have to be contributed to the pension trust fund is 2012 and such contribution could be significant; however, projections of the amount vary significantly depending on key variables including future trust fund performance and cannot be determined at this time.

Net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$85.2 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$70.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$15.0 million increase in cash provided from operating activities was primarily due to an increase in cash related to higher fuel rates effective in March 2009, partially offset by an increase in cash payments related to fuel inventory and a decrease in deferred income taxes. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$88.7 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$99.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$10.8 million decrease was primarily due to a decrease in property additions. Net cash provided from financing activities totaled \$9.0 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$67.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$58.7 million decrease was primarily due to a \$69.5 million decrease in notes payable and a \$32.1 million decrease related to an increase in redemptions in the first nine months of 2009 compared to the corresponding period in 2008, partially offset by a \$45 million increase related to the issuance of long-term debt in the first quarter 2009.

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Significant balance sheet changes for the first nine months of 2009 include a decrease in under recovered regulatory clause revenues of \$55.0 million primarily due to lower fuel costs and the implementation of a higher fuel cost recovery factor in 2009. Fossil fuel inventory increased \$42.8 million primarily due to increases in coal inventory and emissions allowances of \$26.9 million and \$15.9 million, respectively. Other regulatory assets increased \$9.4 million primarily due to the increase in spending related to the Kemper IGCC, prepaid income taxes increased by \$17.7 million, and total property, plant, and equipment increased by \$27.7 million. Securities due within one year decreased by \$39.9 million primarily due to senior notes maturing during the first quarter 2009. Notes payable decreased by \$24.9 million primarily due to a decrease in commercial paper borrowings. Long-term debt increased by \$123.3 million primarily due to the issuance of senior notes in the first quarter 2009.

**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Mississippi Power's capital requirements for its construction program, scheduled maturities of long-term debt, as well as the related interest, lease obligations, purchase commitments, derivative obligations, preferred stock dividends, and trust funding requirements. Approximately \$1.3 million will be required through September 30, 2010 for maturities of long-term debt. The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of numerous factors. These factors include: changes in business conditions; changes in load projections; storm impacts; changes in environmental statutes and regulations; changes in FERC rules and regulations; Mississippi PSC approvals; changes in legislation; the cost and efficiency of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital. In addition, there can be no assurance that costs related to capital expenditures will be fully recovered.

**Sources of Capital**

Mississippi Power plans to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes from sources similar to those utilized in the past. Mississippi Power has primarily utilized funds from operating cash flows, short-term borrowings, external security offerings, and capital contributions from Southern Company. However, the amount, type, and timing of any future financings, if needed, will depend upon regulatory approval, prevailing market conditions, and other factors. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital of Mississippi Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Mississippi Power's current liabilities sometimes exceed current assets because of the continued use of short-term debt as a funding source to meet scheduled maturities of long-term debt as well as cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business. To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, Mississippi Power had at September 30, 2009 approximately \$28.0 million of cash and cash equivalents and \$148.5 million of unused committed credit arrangements with banks. These credit arrangements provide liquidity support to Mississippi Power's commercial paper borrowings and \$40 million are dedicated to funding purchase obligations related to variable rate pollution control revenue bonds. Of the unused credit facilities, \$18.5 million expire in 2009 and \$130 million expire in 2010 while \$43.5 million of these credit arrangements contain provisions allowing two-year term loans executable at expiration and \$15 million contain provisions allowing one-year term loans executable at expiration. Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power increased an existing credit facility by \$10 million and renewed \$15 million of its credit facilities that were set to expire in 2009 for an additional one-year period. Mississippi Power expects to renew its credit facilities, as needed, prior to expiration. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Bank Credit Arrangements in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Bank Credit Arrangements herein for additional information. Mississippi Power may meet short-term cash needs

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through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper at the request and for the benefit of Mississippi Power and other Southern Company subsidiaries. At September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power had no commercial paper outstanding. Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing commercial paper, lines of credit, and cash.

**Off-Balance Sheet Financing Arrangements**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

Off-Balance Sheet Financing Arrangements of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Note 7 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Operating Leases in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information related to Mississippi Power's lease of a combined cycle generating facility at Plant Daniel.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Mississippi Power does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change to BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are for physical electricity sales, fuel purchases, fuel transportation and storage, emissions allowances, and energy price risk management. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$8 million. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$349 million. Included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Mississippi Power's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market.

On September 2, 2009, Moody's affirmed the credit ratings of Mississippi Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper of A1/P-1, respectively, and revised the rating outlook for Mississippi Power to negative. On October 6, 2009, Standard and Poor's affirmed the credit rating of Mississippi Power's senior unsecured notes and its short-term rating of A/A-1, respectively, and maintained its stable ratings outlook. On September 4, 2009, Fitch affirmed Mississippi Power's senior unsecured notes and commercial paper ratings of AA-/F1+, respectively, and maintained a stable rating outlook for Mississippi Power.

**Market Price Risk**

Mississippi Power's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Mississippi Power is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposures on existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined. Due to cost-based rate regulation, Mississippi Power continues to have limited exposure to market volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, Mississippi Power enters into physical fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market. Mississippi Power continues to manage retail fuel-hedging programs implemented per the guidelines of the Mississippi PSC and wholesale fuel-hedging programs under agreements with wholesale customers. As such, Mississippi Power has no material change in market risk exposure when compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period.

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The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(59.8)	\$ (52.0)
Contracts realized or settled	20.4	46.1
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	0.1	(33.4)
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$(39.3)	\$ (39.3)

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The changes in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were an increase of \$21 million and \$13 million, respectively, substantially all of which is due to natural gas positions. These changes are attributable to both the volume and prices of natural gas positions. At September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power had a net hedge volume of 26 million mmBtu with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.54 per mmBtu above market prices, compared to 30 million mmBtu at June 30, 2009 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$2.02 per mmBtu above market prices and compared to 29 million mmBtu at December 31, 2008 with a weighted average contract cost approximately \$1.89 per mmBtu above market prices. The majority of the natural gas hedge settlements are recovered through the energy cost management clause.

At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	(in millions)	
Regulatory hedges	\$(39.5)	\$ (52.0)
Cash flow hedges		
Not designated	0.2	
Total fair value	\$(39.3)	\$ (52.0)

Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate to Mississippi Power's fuel hedging program where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as they are recovered through the energy cost management clause. Certain other gains and losses on energy-related derivatives, designated as cash flow hedges, are initially deferred in OCI before being recognized in income in the same period as the hedged transaction. Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.



Unrealized pre-tax gains and losses recognized in income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were not material. For the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2008, the total net unrealized gains (losses) recognized in the statements of income were \$(1) million and \$1 million, respectively. See Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further details of these gains (losses).

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The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	Total	Fair Value Measurements		
		Fair Value	Maturity	Years
		Year 1	Years 2&3	4&5
		<i>(in millions)</i>		
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	(39.3)	(20.7)	(18.1)	(0.5)
Level 3				
Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period	\$(39.3)	\$(20.7)	\$(18.1)	\$(0.5)

Mississippi Power uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Market Price Risk of Mississippi Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.

**Financing Activities**

In March 2009, Mississippi Power issued \$125 million of Series 2009A 5.55% Senior Notes due March 1, 2019. The proceeds were used to repay at maturity Mississippi Power's \$40 million aggregate principal amount of Series F Floating Rate Senior Notes due March 9, 2009, to repay a portion of short-term indebtedness, and for general corporate purposes, including Mississippi Power's continuous construction program.

In addition to any financings that may be necessary to meet capital requirements, contractual obligations, and storm restoration costs, Mississippi Power plans to continue, when economically feasible, a program to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit.

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**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, <b>2009</b> 2008 <i>(in thousands)</i>		For the Nine Months Ended September 30, <b>2009</b> 2008 <i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Revenues:</b>				
Wholesale revenues, non-affiliates	<b>\$ 133,032</b>	\$ 296,743	<b>\$ 318,521</b>	\$ 548,119
Wholesale revenues, affiliates	<b>147,921</b>	216,622	<b>420,923</b>	494,008
Other revenues	<b>2,416</b>	2,506	<b>6,040</b>	5,860
<b>Total operating revenues</b>	<b>283,369</b>	515,871	<b>745,484</b>	1,047,987
<b>Operating Expenses:</b>				
Fuel	<b>58,820</b>	221,735	<b>176,332</b>	334,123
Purchased power, non-affiliates	<b>20,019</b>	56,312	<b>66,279</b>	107,180
Purchased power, affiliates	<b>20,915</b>	59,539	<b>49,977</b>	175,210
Other operations and maintenance	<b>29,094</b>	31,549	<b>97,033</b>	102,234
Depreciation and amortization	<b>23,190</b>	24,014	<b>74,727</b>	64,944
Taxes other than income taxes	<b>4,166</b>	4,130	<b>13,714</b>	13,311
<b>Total operating expenses</b>	<b>156,204</b>	397,279	<b>478,062</b>	797,002
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>127,165</b>	118,592	<b>267,422</b>	250,985
<b>Other Income and (Expense):</b>				
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	<b>(21,438)</b>	(22,163)	<b>(64,589)</b>	(61,414)
Other income (expense), net	<b>2,699</b>	675	<b>2,465</b>	13,289
<b>Total other income and (expense)</b>	<b>(18,739)</b>	(21,488)	<b>(62,124)</b>	(48,125)
<b>Earnings Before Income Taxes</b>	<b>108,426</b>	97,104	<b>205,298</b>	202,860
Income taxes	<b>41,146</b>	37,542	<b>79,048</b>	78,903
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 67,280</b>	\$ 59,562	<b>\$ 126,250</b>	\$ 123,957

**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Three Months Ended September 30, <b>2009</b> 2008 <i>(in thousands)</i>		For the Nine Months Ended September 30, <b>2009</b> 2008 <i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 67,280</b>	\$ 59,562	<b>\$ 126,250</b>	\$ 123,957
Other comprehensive income (loss):				
Qualifying hedges:				
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(298), \$11,533, \$4, and \$3,703, respectively	<b>(459)</b>	17,831	<b>7</b>	5,715
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income, net of tax of \$948, \$979, \$2,814, and \$3,669,	<b>1,461</b>	1,512	<b>4,336</b>	5,670

respectively

<b>Total other comprehensive income (loss)</b>	<b>1,002</b>	19,343	<b>4,343</b>	11,385
<b>Comprehensive Income</b>	<b>\$ 68,282</b>	\$ 78,905	<b>\$ 130,593</b>	\$ 135,342

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**SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (UNAUDITED)**

	For the Nine Months Ended September 30,	
	2009	2008
	<i>(in thousands)</i>	
<b>Operating Activities:</b>		
Net income	\$ 126,250	\$ 123,957
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided from operating activities		
Depreciation and amortization, total	83,890	75,985
Deferred income taxes	8,020	13,952
Deferred revenues	33,290	27,492
Mark-to-market adjustments	(406)	701
Accumulated billings on construction contract	35,565	62,045
Accumulated costs on construction contract	(39,890)	(77,534)
Recognized income on construction contract	(2,691)	
Gain on sale of property	(24)	(6,015)
Other, net	5,326	180
Changes in certain current assets and liabilities		
-Receivables	(44,195)	(82,449)
-Fossil fuel stock	2,215	(2,658)
-Materials and supplies	(4,110)	6,246
-Other current assets	396	2,102
-Accounts payable	(20,777)	34,116
-Accrued taxes	62,260	43,438
-Accrued interest	(12,152)	(12,448)
-Other current liabilities	(199)	(3,516)
Net cash provided from operating activities	232,768	205,594
<b>Investing Activities:</b>		
Property additions	(47,696)	(45,114)
Sale of property	52	5,009
Change in construction payables	6,915	(4,393)
Payments pursuant to long-term service agreements	(26,118)	(24,130)
Other investing activities	(184)	(1,083)
Net cash used for investing activities	(67,031)	(69,711)
<b>Financing Activities:</b>		
Decrease in notes payable, net		(49,748)
Proceeds Capital contributions	2,068	3,215
Payment of common stock dividends	(79,575)	(70,876)
Net cash used for financing activities	(77,507)	(117,409)
<b>Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents</b>	<b>88,230</b>	<b>18,474</b>
<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Period</b>	<b>37,894</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period</b>	<b>\$ 126,124</b>	\$ 18,479
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**Supplemental Cash Flow Information:**

Cash paid during the period for		
Interest (net of \$441 and \$7,009 capitalized for 2009 and 2008, respectively)	<b>\$ 68,652</b>	\$ 63,311
Income taxes (net of refunds)	<b>\$ 20,467</b>	\$ 33,109

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**SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY AND SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES**  
**CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (UNAUDITED)**

	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Current Assets:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 126,124	\$ 37,894
Receivables		
Customer accounts receivable	37,580	23,640
Other accounts receivable	1,457	2,162
Affiliated companies	64,762	33,401
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	15,551	17,801
Materials and supplies, at average cost	30,636	26,527
Prepaid service agreements current	35,795	26,304
Prepaid income taxes		18,066
Other prepaid expenses	2,451	2,756
Assets from risk management activities	6,288	10,799
Other current assets	4,505	4,532
Total current assets	325,149	203,882
<b>Property, Plant, and Equipment:</b>		
In service	2,880,426	2,847,757
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	423,971	351,193
Plant in service, net of depreciation	2,456,455	2,496,564
Construction work in progress	50,115	8,775
Total property, plant, and equipment	2,506,570	2,505,339
<b>Deferred Charges and Other Assets:</b>		
Prepaid long-term service agreements	64,025	81,542
Other deferred charges and assets affiliated	3,612	3,827
Other deferred charges and assets non-affiliated	18,517	18,550
Total deferred charges and other assets	86,154	103,919
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$ 2,917,873</b>	<b>\$ 2,813,140</b>

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	At September 30, 2009	At December 31, 2008
<i>(in thousands)</i>		
<b>Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>		
<b>Current Liabilities:</b>		
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	\$ 45,918	\$ 62,732
Other	13,801	11,278
Accrued taxes		
Accrued income taxes	32,256	88
Other accrued taxes	13,584	2,343
Accrued interest	17,764	29,916
Liabilities from risk management activities	3,687	7,452
Billings in excess of costs on construction contract	4,891	11,907
Other current liabilities	24	224
Total current liabilities	131,925	125,940
<b>Long-term Debt</b>	<b>1,297,543</b>	1,297,353
<b>Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:</b>		
Accumulated deferred income taxes	220,617	209,960
Deferred capacity revenues - affiliated	65,344	32,211
Other deferred credits and liabilities - affiliated	5,891	6,667
Other deferred credits and liabilities - non-affiliated	5,108	2,648
Total deferred credits and other liabilities	296,960	251,486
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>1,726,428</b>	1,674,779
<b>Common Stockholder's Equity:</b>		
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share		
Authorized - 1,000,000 shares		
Outstanding - 1,000 shares		
Paid-in capital	864,175	862,109
Retained earnings	348,984	302,309
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(21,714)	(26,057)
Total common stockholder's equity	1,191,445	1,138,361
<b>Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity</b>	<b>\$ 2,917,873</b>	\$ 2,813,140

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**AND**  
**YEAR-TO-DATE 2009 vs. YEAR-TO-DATE 2008**

**OVERVIEW**

Southern Power and its wholly-owned subsidiaries construct, acquire, own, and manage generation assets and sell electricity at market-based prices in the southeastern wholesale market. Southern Power continues to execute its strategy through a combination of acquiring and constructing new power plants and by entering into PPAs with investor owned utilities, independent power producers, municipalities, and electric cooperatives.

To evaluate operating results and to ensure Southern Power's ability to meet its contractual commitments to customers, Southern Power focuses on several key performance indicators. These indicators include peak season equivalent forced outage rate (EFOR), return on invested capital (ROIC), and net income. EFOR defines the hours during peak demand times when Southern Power's generating units are not available due to forced outages (the lower the better). ROIC is focused on earning a return on all invested capital that meets or exceeds Southern Power's weighted average cost of capital. For additional information on these indicators, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OVERVIEW Key Performance Indicators of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.

**RESULTS OF OPERATIONS***Net Income*

## Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

## Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

*(change in millions)**(% change)**(change in millions)**(% change)*

\$7.7

13.0

\$2.3

1.8

Southern Power's net income for the third quarter 2009 was \$67.3 million compared to \$59.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was due primarily to increased capacity and energy revenues associated with the operation of Plant Franklin Unit 3 and profit recognized under a construction contract with the Orlando Utilities Commission (OUC) whereby Southern Power is providing engineering, procurement, and construction services to build a combined cycle unit for the OUC.

Southern Power's net income for year-to-date 2009 was \$126.3 million compared to \$124.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was due primarily to increased capacity and energy revenues associated with the operation of Plant Franklin Unit 3, increased generation from Southern Power's combined cycle units due to lower natural gas prices, and profit recognized under a construction contract with the OUC whereby Southern Power is providing engineering, procurement, and construction services to build a combined cycle unit for the OUC. These favorable impacts were partially offset by a gain on the sale of an undeveloped tract of land in Orange County, Florida to the OUC and the receipt of a fee for participating in an asset auction that were both recognized in income in the first quarter 2008. Additionally, depreciation increased due to an increase in depreciation rates and interest expense increased due to a reduction of capitalized interest as a result of the completion of Plant Franklin Unit 3 in June 2008.

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**Wholesale Revenues – Non-Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(163.7)	(55.2)	\$(229.6)	(41.9)

Wholesale energy sales to non-affiliates will vary depending on the energy demand of those customers and their generation capacity, as well as the market cost of available energy compared to the cost of Southern Power's energy. Increases and decreases in revenues that are driven by fuel prices are accompanied by an increase or decrease in fuel costs and do not have a significant impact on net income.

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates for the third quarter 2009 were \$133.0 million compared to \$296.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due primarily to lower natural gas prices reducing energy revenues by \$148.3 million and a reduction in mark-to-market gains of \$40.6 million. These decreases were partially offset by increased capacity and energy revenues primarily from the operation of Plant Franklin Unit 3 of \$25.2 million as a result of a PPA that began in January 2009.

Wholesale revenues from non-affiliates for year-to-date 2009 were \$318.5 million compared to \$548.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due primarily to lower natural gas prices reducing energy revenues by \$256.5 million and a reduction in mark-to-market gains of \$1.7 million. These decreases were partially offset by increased capacity and energy revenues primarily from the operation of Plant Franklin Unit 3 of \$28.5 million as a result of a PPA that began in January 2009.

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS – FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL – Power Sales Agreements of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K and FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL – Power Sales Agreements herein for additional information.

**Wholesale Revenues – Affiliates**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$(68.7)	(31.7)	\$(73.1)	(14.8)

Wholesale energy sales to affiliated companies within the Southern Company system will vary depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company. Sales to affiliate companies that are not covered by PPAs are made in accordance with the IIC, as approved by the FERC. Increases and decreases in revenues that are driven by fuel prices are accompanied by an increase or decrease in fuel costs and do not have a significant impact on net income.

Wholesale revenues from affiliates for the third quarter 2009 were \$147.9 million compared to \$216.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due primarily to lower natural gas prices reducing energy revenues by \$77.3 million. The decrease was partially offset by increased energy revenues of \$5.1 million due to increased power sales under the IIC due to lower natural gas prices and increased capacity revenues associated with the beginning of a PPA with Gulf Power in June 2009 of \$3.5 million.

Wholesale revenues from affiliates for year-to-date 2009 were \$421.0 million compared to \$494.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due primarily to lower natural gas prices reducing energy revenues by \$197.9 million. This decrease was partially offset by increased energy revenues of \$120.2 million due to increased power sales under the IIC resulting from lower natural gas prices and increased capacity revenues associated with the beginning of a PPA with Gulf Power in June 2009 of \$4.6 million.



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See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL - Power Sales Agreements of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

**Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses**

	Third Quarter 2009		Year-to-Date 2009	
	vs.		vs.	
	Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2008	
	<i>(change in</i>		<i>(change in</i>	
	<i>millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
Fuel	\$ (162.9)	(73.5)	\$ (157.8)	(47.2)
Purchased power - non-affiliates	(36.3)	(64.4)	(40.9)	(38.2)
Purchased power - affiliates	(38.6)	(64.9)	(125.2)	(71.5)
Total fuel and purchased power expenses	\$ (237.8)		\$ (323.9)	

Southern Power PPAs generally provide that the purchasers are responsible for substantially all of the cost of fuel. Consequently, any increase or decrease in fuel costs is accompanied by an increase or decrease in related fuel revenues and does not have a significant impact on net income. Southern Power is responsible for the cost of fuel for units that are not covered under PPAs. Power from these units is sold into the market or sold to affiliates under the IIC.

In the third quarter 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$99.8 million compared to \$337.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Fuel and purchased power expenses decreased \$164.9 million due to a 31.4% decrease in the average cost of natural gas and a 37.1% decrease in the average cost of purchased power. Additionally, fuel and purchased power expenses decreased \$63.0 million primarily due to the beginning of a PPA in 2009 at Plant Franklin Unit 3 under which the cost of fuel is the responsibility of the counterparty. Mark-to-market losses decreased by an additional \$32.9 million. These decreases were partially offset by \$23.0 million due to increased generation at Southern Power's combined cycle units due to lower natural gas prices.

For year-to-date 2009, total fuel and purchased power expenses were \$292.6 million compared to \$616.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Fuel and purchased power expenses decreased \$375.3 million due to a 37.9% decrease in the average cost of natural gas and a 56.5% decrease in the average cost of purchased power. Additionally, mark-to-market losses decreased by \$2.9 million. These decreases were partially offset by \$54.3 million due to increased generation at Southern Power's combined cycle units due to lower natural gas prices.

In the third quarter 2009, fuel expense was \$58.8 million compared to \$221.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Fuel expense decreased \$100.0 million due to a 31.4% decrease in the average cost of natural gas and decreased \$63.0 million due to the beginning of a PPA in 2009 at Plant Franklin Unit 3 under which the cost of fuel is the responsibility of the counterparty. Additionally, mark-to-market losses decreased by \$28.4 million. The decrease in fuel expense was partially offset by a \$28.5 million increase in fuel expense due to increased generation at Southern Power's combined cycle units as a result of lower natural gas prices.

For year-to-date 2009, fuel expense was \$176.3 million compared to \$334.1 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Fuel expense decreased \$290.0 million due to a 37.9% decrease in the average cost of natural gas. The decrease was partially offset by a \$130.8 million increase in fuel expense due to a 40.7% increase in generation at Southern Power's combined cycle units as a result of lower natural gas prices. Additionally, mark-to-market losses increased by \$1.5 million.

In the third quarter 2009, purchased power expense was \$40.9 million compared to \$115.8 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Purchased power expense decreased \$64.9 million due to a decrease in the average cost of purchased power and decreased \$5.5 million due to increased generation at Southern Power's



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combined cycle units during the third quarter 2009 due to lower natural gas prices. Additionally, mark-to-market losses decreased by \$4.5 million.

For year-to-date 2009, purchased power expense was \$116.3 million compared to \$282.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. Purchased power decreased \$85.2 million due to a decrease in the average cost of purchased power and decreased \$76.5 million due to increased generation at Southern Power's combined cycle units due to lower natural gas prices. Additionally, mark-to-market losses decreased by \$4.4 million.

**Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

(change in millions)  
\$(2.4)

(% change)  
(7.8)

(change in millions)  
\$(5.2)

(% change)  
(5.1)

In the third quarter 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$29.1 million compared to \$31.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to a reduction of transmission expenses of \$1.2 million as a result of a decrease in power sales into the market and a decrease in plant operations and maintenance activities of \$1.2 million.

For year-to-date 2009, other operations and maintenance expenses were \$97.0 million compared to \$102.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to transmission tariff penalties of \$3.6 million recognized in 2008 and a reduction in transmission expense of \$1.6 million as a result of a decrease in power sales into the market.

**Depreciation and Amortization**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

(change in millions)  
\$(0.8)

(% change)  
(3.4)

(change in millions)  
\$9.8

(% change)  
15.1

In the third quarter 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$23.2 million compared to \$24.0 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was primarily due to asset retirements recognized in 2008. The decrease was partially offset by higher depreciation rates implemented during 2009.

For year-to-date 2009, depreciation and amortization was \$74.7 million compared to \$64.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was due to the completion of Plant Franklin Unit 3 in June 2008 and higher depreciation rates implemented during 2009. See Note 1 to the financial statements of Southern Power under Depreciation in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (A) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Southern Power Depreciation Policy herein for additional information.

**Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008

Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008

(change in millions)  
\$(0.8)

(% change)  
(3.3)

(change in millions)  
\$3.2

(% change)  
5.2

In the third quarter 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$21.4 million compared to \$22.2 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The decrease was due to a decrease in short-term borrowing levels.





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For year-to-date 2009, interest expense, net of amounts capitalized was \$64.6 million compared to \$61.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to a decrease in capitalized interest as a result of the completion of Plant Franklin Unit 3 in June 2008, partially offset by a decrease in short-term borrowing levels.

**Other Income (Expense), Net**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$2.0	299.9	\$(10.8)	(81.5)

In the third quarter 2009, other income (expense), net was \$2.7 million compared to \$0.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The change was primarily due to profit recognized under a construction contract with the OUC whereby Southern Power is providing engineering, procurement, and construction services to build a combined cycle unit for the OUC.

For year-to-date 2009, other income (expense), net was \$2.5 million as compared to \$13.3 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The change was primarily due to a \$6.0 million gain on the sale of an undeveloped tract of land in Orange County, Florida to the OUC and a \$6.4 million fee received for participating in an asset auction that were both recognized in the first quarter 2008. Southern Power was not the successful bidder in the auction. Profit recognized on a construction contract with the OUC in 2009 partially offset these decreases. Southern Power is providing engineering, procurement, and construction services to build a combined cycle unit for the OUC.

**Income Taxes**

Third Quarter 2009 vs. Third Quarter 2008		Year-to-Date 2009 vs. Year-to-Date 2008	
<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>	<i>(change in millions)</i>	<i>(% change)</i>
\$3.6	9.6	\$0.1	0.2

In the third quarter 2009, income taxes were \$41.1 million compared to \$37.5 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to higher pre-tax earnings, partially offset by increases in the production activities deduction.

For year-to-date 2009, income taxes were \$79.0 million compared to \$78.9 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The increase was primarily due to higher pre-tax earnings, primarily offset by increases in the production activities deduction.

**FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

The results of operations discussed above are not necessarily indicative of Southern Power's future earnings potential. The level of Southern Power's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of Southern Power's competitive wholesale business. These factors include Southern Power's ability to achieve sales growth while containing costs. The level of future earnings also depends on numerous factors including regulatory matters (such as those related to affiliate contracts), creditworthiness of customers, total generating capacity available in the Southeast, the successful remarketing of capacity as current contracts expire, and Southern Power's ability to execute its acquisition strategy and to construct generating facilities. Recessionary conditions have negatively impacted capacity revenues. The timing and extent of the economic recovery will impact future earnings. For additional information relating to these issues, see RISK FACTORS in Item 1A and MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K.



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**Environmental Matters**

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information on the development by federal and state environmental regulatory agencies of additional control strategies for emissions of air pollution from industrial sources, including electric generating facilities. Compliance with possible additional federal or state legislation or regulations related to global climate change, air quality, or other environmental and health concerns could also affect earnings. While Southern Power's PPAs generally contain provisions that permit charging the counterparty with some of the new costs incurred as a result of changes in environmental laws and regulations, the full impact of any such regulatory or legislative changes cannot be determined at this time.

***Global Climate Issues***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Global Climate Issues of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the potential for legislation and regulation addressing greenhouse gas emissions. On April 24, 2009, the EPA published a proposed finding that certain greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles endanger public health and welfare due to climate change and, on September 28, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule regulating greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles under the Clean Air Act. The EPA has stated that finalization of this rule will cause carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases to become regulated pollutants under the Prevention of Significant Deterioration preconstruction permit program and the Title V operating permit program, which both apply to power plants. On October 27, 2009, the EPA published a proposed rule governing how these programs would be applied to stationary sources, including power plants. The EPA has stated that it expects to finalize its endangerment finding and proposed rules in March 2010. The ultimate outcome of the endangerment finding and these proposed rules cannot be determined at this time and will depend on additional regulatory action and potential legal challenges.

In addition, federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions, renewable energy standards, and energy efficiency standards continue to be actively considered in Congress, and the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions has been identified as a high priority by the current Administration. On June 26, 2009, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, which would impose mandatory greenhouse gas restrictions through implementation of a cap and trade program, a renewable energy standard, and other measures, was passed by the House of Representatives. Similar legislation is being considered by the Senate. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on Southern Power's greenhouse gas emissions, or requirements relating to renewable energy or energy efficiency, could result in significant additional compliance costs that could affect future results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition.

***Carbon Dioxide Litigation***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL Environmental Matters Carbon Dioxide Litigation of Southern Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Power under Carbon Dioxide Litigation in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information regarding carbon dioxide litigation. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants' motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs' failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants' conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

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**FERC Matters*****Market-Based Rate Authority***

See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority of Southern Power in Item 7 and Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Power under FERC Matters Market-Based Rate Authority in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding market-based rate authority. In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a must offer energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction in 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas. The original generation dominance proceeding initiated by the FERC in December 2004 remains pending before the FERC. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

**Legislation**

On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Major tax incentives in the ARRA include an extension of bonus depreciation and multiple renewable energy incentives. Southern Power estimates the cash flow reduction to 2009 tax payments as a result of the bonus depreciation provisions of the ARRA to be immaterial. Southern Power is currently assessing the other financial implications of the ARRA. The ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

**Acquisitions and Divestitures*****Hartwell Energy Limited Partnership Acquisition***

On April 2, 2009, Southern Power signed an agreement to acquire all of the outstanding general and limited partnership interests of Hartwell Energy Limited Partnership (Hartwell). Hartwell owns a dual-fueled generating plant near Hartwell, Georgia with installed capacity of 318 MWs. The plant consists of two combustion turbine natural gas generating units with oil back-up. The entire output of the plant is sold under a PPA with Oglethorpe Power Corporation (Oglethorpe) through May 31, 2019.

The acquisition was subject to a right of first refusal held by Oglethorpe, certain regulatory approvals, and other conditions. On July 31, 2009, Oglethorpe exercised its right of first refusal and has purchased the ownership interests of Hartwell.

***Nacogdoches Power LLC Acquisition***

On October 8, 2009, Southern Power acquired all of the outstanding membership interests of Nacogdoches Power LLC from American Renewables LLC, the original developer of the project. Nacogdoches Power LLC plans to construct a biomass generating plant in Sacul, Texas with an estimated capacity of 100 MWs. The

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generating plant will be fueled from wood waste. Construction is expected to commence in late 2009 and the plant is expected to begin commercial operation in 2012. The total estimated cost of the project is expected to be between \$475 million and \$500 million. The output of the plant is contracted under a PPA with Austin Energy that begins in 2012 and expires in 2032.

***West Georgia Generating Company, LLC Acquisition and DeSoto County Generating Company, LLC Divestiture***

On October 21, 2009, Southern Power entered into an agreement (the Agreement) to acquire all of the outstanding membership interests of West Georgia Generating Company, LLC (West Georgia) from Broadway Gen Funding, LLC (Broadway), an affiliate of LS Power. West Georgia owns a dual-fueled generating plant near Thomaston, Georgia with installed capacity of approximately 600 MWs. The plant consists of four combustion turbine natural gas generating units with oil back-up. The output from two units is contracted under PPAs with the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG Power) and the Georgia Energy Cooperative (GEC). The MEAG Power agreement began in 2009 and expires in 2029. The GEC agreement begins in 2010 and expires in 2030.

The Agreement provides for the transfer of all the outstanding membership interests of DeSoto County Generating Company, LLC from Southern Power to Broadway and the payment by Southern Power of approximately \$140 million in cash consideration.

The Agreement is subject to certain regulatory approvals, including the approval of the FERC, as well as review by the Federal Trade Commission under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

**Construction Projects**

***Cleveland County Units 1-4***

In December 2008, Southern Power announced that it will build an electric generating plant in Cleveland County, North Carolina. The plant will consist of four combustion turbine natural gas generating units with a total generating capacity of 720 MWs. The units are expected to go into commercial operation in 2012. Costs incurred through September 30, 2009 were \$45.8 million. The total estimated construction cost is expected to be between \$350 million and \$400 million.

**Power Sales Agreements**

Southern Power has entered into PPAs with North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC) and North Carolina Municipal Power Agency No. 1 (NCMPA1) for a portion of the generating capacity from the Cleveland County plant that will begin in 2012 and expire in 2036 and 2031, respectively. NCEMC will purchase 180 MWs of capacity that will be supported by one unit at the plant and will purchase capacity from a second unit at the plant that will increase to 180 MWs over a seven-year phase-in period. NCMPA1 will purchase 180 MWs from a third unit at the plant. The NCEMC PPAs were approved by the Rural Utilities Service on March 6, 2009.

**Other Matters**

Southern Power is involved in various other matters being litigated and regulatory matters that could affect future earnings. In addition, Southern Power is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. Southern Power's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges.

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Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such potential litigation against Southern Power and its subsidiaries cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from any such proceedings would have a material adverse effect on Southern Power's financial statements. See Note (B) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for discussion of various other contingencies, regulatory matters, and other matters being litigated which may affect future earnings potential.

**ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

Southern Power prepares its consolidated financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. Significant accounting policies are described in Note 1 to the financial statements of Southern Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on Southern Power's results of operations and related disclosures. Different assumptions and measurements could produce estimates that are significantly different from those recorded in the financial statements. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a complete discussion of Southern Power's critical accounting policies and estimates related to Revenue Recognition, Normal Sale and Non-Derivative Transactions, Cash Flow Hedge Transactions, Mark-to-Market Transactions, Percentage of Completion, Asset Impairments, Acquisition Accounting, Contingent Obligations, and Depreciation.

**New Accounting Standards**

***Variable Interest Entities***

In June 2009, the FASB issued new guidance on the consolidation of variable interest entities, which replaces the quantitative-based risks and rewards calculation for determining whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary in a variable interest entity with an approach that is primarily qualitative, requires ongoing assessments of whether an enterprise is the primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity, and requires additional disclosures about an enterprise's involvement in variable interest entities. Southern Power is required to adopt this new guidance effective January 1, 2010 and is evaluating the impact, if any, it will have on its financial statements.

**FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY**

**Overview**

Southern Power's financial condition remained stable at September 30, 2009. Throughout the turmoil in the financial markets, Southern Power has maintained cash balances to cover the majority of its capital needs and has had limited need to issue commercial paper or draw on committed credit arrangements. Southern Power has successfully accessed the commercial paper market as needed during 2009. There was no commercial paper outstanding at September 30, 2009. Southern Power intends to continue to monitor its access to short-term and

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long-term capital markets as well as its bank credit arrangements as needed to meet future capital and liquidity needs. Market rates for committed credit have increased, and Southern Power may be subject to higher costs as its existing facilities are replaced or renewed. The current facility expires in 2012 and the commitment fee is less than  $\frac{1}{8}$  of 1%. Southern Power experienced no material counterparty credit losses as a result of the turmoil in the financial markets. The ultimate impact on future financing costs as a result of financial turmoil cannot be determined at this time. See **Sources of Capital** herein for additional information.

Net cash provided from operating activities totaled \$232.8 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$205.6 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$27.2 million increase in cash provided from operating activities was due primarily to the timing of income tax payments and a reduction in costs incurred on the OUC construction contract, partially offset by a reduction in scheduled billings on the OUC construction contract. Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$67.0 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$69.7 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The \$2.7 million decrease was primarily due to reduced property additions as Plant Franklin Unit 3 was completed in June 2008 and was partially offset by the sale of land in 2008. Net cash used in financing activities totaled \$77.5 million for the first nine months of 2009, compared to \$117.4 million for the corresponding period in 2008. The change was primarily due to cash used to settle short-term borrowings in 2008, partially offset by an increase in dividends paid to Southern Company in 2009.

Significant asset changes in the balance sheet for the first nine months of 2009 include increases in cash and cash equivalents, increases in accounts receivable balances due to seasonality, and a reduction in prepaid service agreements due to completion of scheduled outages. Additionally, construction work in progress has increased due to Cleveland County construction activities.

Significant liability and stockholder's equity changes in the balance sheet for the first nine months of 2009 include a reduction in affiliate accounts payable due to timing of payments to SCS, a reduction in billings in excess of cost due to the timing of scheduled payments and costs incurred with regard to the OUC construction contract whereby Southern Power is providing engineering, procurement, and construction services to build a combined cycle unit for the OUC. Additionally, accrued income and other taxes have also increased due to the timing of tax payments.

**Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations**

See **MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS - FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY - Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations** of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for a description of Southern Power's capital requirements for its construction program, maturing debt, interest, leases, derivative obligations, purchase commitments, and long-term service agreements. The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision; these amounts include estimates for potential plant acquisitions and new construction as well as ongoing capital improvements. Planned expenditures for plant acquisitions may vary due to market opportunities and Southern Power's ability to execute its growth strategy. Actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of changes in factors such as: business conditions; environmental statutes and regulations; FERC rules and regulations; load projections; the cost and efficiency of construction labor, equipment, and materials; and the cost of capital.

**Sources of Capital**

Southern Power may use operating cash flows, external funds, equity capital, or loans from Southern Company to finance any new projects, acquisitions, and ongoing capital requirements. Southern Power expects to generate external funds from the issuance of unsecured senior debt and commercial paper or utilization of credit arrangements from banks. However, the amount, type, and timing of any financings, if needed, will depend

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upon prevailing market conditions, regulatory approval, and other factors. See MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Sources of Capital of Southern Power in Item 7 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

Southern Power's current liabilities frequently exceed current assets due to the use of short-term indebtedness as a funding source, as well as cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business. To meet liquidity and capital resource requirements, Southern Power had at September 30, 2009 \$400 million in committed credit arrangements with banks that will expire in 2012. Proceeds from these credit arrangements may be used for working capital and general corporate purposes as well as liquidity support for Southern Power's commercial paper program. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Southern Power under Bank Credit Arrangements in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements under Bank Credit Arrangements herein for additional information.

Southern Power's commercial paper program is used to finance acquisition and construction costs related to electric generating facilities and for general corporate purposes.

Management believes that the need for working capital can be adequately met by utilizing commercial paper programs, lines of credit, and cash.

**Credit Rating Risk**

Southern Power does not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain contracts that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a credit rating change to BBB and Baa2, or BBB- and/or Baa3 or below. These contracts are for physical electricity purchases and sales, fuel transportation and storage, and energy price risk management. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a BBB and Baa2 rating were approximately \$9 million and at a BBB- and/or Baa3 rating were approximately \$366 million. At September 30, 2009, the maximum potential collateral requirements under these contracts at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3 were approximately \$964 million. Included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. Additionally, any credit rating downgrade could impact Southern Power's ability to access capital markets, particularly the short-term debt market.

In addition, through the acquisition of Plant Rowan, Southern Power assumed a PPA with Duke Energy that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of a downgrade to Southern Power's credit rating to below BBB- or Baa3. The amount of collateral required would depend upon actual losses, if any, resulting from a credit downgrade.

**Market Price Risk**

Southern Power is exposed to market risks, including changes in interest rates and certain energy-related commodity prices. To manage the volatility attributable to these exposures, Southern Power takes advantage of natural offsets and enters into various derivative transactions for the remaining exposures pursuant to Southern Power's policies in areas such as counterparty exposure and hedging practices. It is Southern Power's policy that derivatives be used primarily for hedging purposes. Derivative positions are monitored using techniques that include market valuation and sensitivity analysis.

Southern Power's market risk exposure relative to interest rate changes has not changed materially compared with the December 31, 2008 reporting period. Since a significant portion of outstanding indebtedness is at fixed rates, Southern Power is not aware of any facts or circumstances that would significantly affect exposure on



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existing indebtedness in the near term. However, the impact on future financing costs cannot now be determined. Because energy from Southern Power's facilities is primarily sold under long-term PPAs with tolling agreements and provisions shifting substantially all of the responsibility for fuel cost to the counterparties, Southern Power's exposure to market volatility in commodity fuel prices and prices of electricity is generally limited. However, Southern Power has been and may continue to be exposed to market volatility in energy-related commodity prices as a result of sales of uncontracted generating capacity.

The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were as follows:

	<b>Third Quarter 2009 Changes</b>	<b>Year-to-Date 2009 Changes</b>
	Fair Value (in millions)	
Contracts outstanding at the beginning of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$3.2	\$ 3.4
Contracts realized or settled		0.2
Current period changes <sup>(a)</sup>	0.6	0.2
Contracts outstanding at the end of the period, assets (liabilities), net	\$3.8	\$ 3.8

(a) Current period changes also include the changes in fair value of new contracts entered into during the period, if any.

The decreases in the fair value positions of the energy-related derivative contracts for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 were \$0.6 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, which is due to both volume and price changes in power and natural gas positions. The net hedge position at September 30, 2009 and respective period end dates that support these changes are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>June 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
Power (net sold)			
MWHs (in millions)	2.2	1.1	0.3
Weighted average contract cost per MWH above (below) market prices (in dollars)	\$ 1.26	\$ 2.29	\$ (2.29)
Natural gas (net purchase)			
Commodity million mmBtu	5.1	2.9	1.9
Location basis million mmBtu	2.0	2.0	
Commodity Weighted average contract cost per mmBtu above (below) market prices (in dollars)	\$ (0.23)	\$(0.24)	\$ (2.16)

Location basis	Weighted average contract cost per mmBtu			
above (below)	market prices (in dollars)	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.05	\$

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At September 30, 2009 and December 31, 2008, the net fair value of energy-related derivative contracts by hedge designation was reflected in the financial statements as follows:

<b>Asset (Liability) Derivatives</b>	<b>September 30, 2009</b>	<b>December 31, 2008</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Cash flow hedges	\$(0.8)	\$ (0.8)
Not designated	4.6	4.2
Total fair value	\$ 3.8	\$ 3.4

Gains and losses on energy-related derivatives used by Southern Power to hedge anticipated purchases and sales are initially deferred in OCI before being recognized in income in the same period as the hedged transaction. Gains and losses on derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Total net unrealized pre-tax gains recognized in the statements of income for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 for energy-related derivative contracts that are not hedges were \$2 million and \$1 million, respectively. For the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2008, the total net unrealized gains (losses) recognized in the statements of income were \$8 million and \$(1) million, respectively. See Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further details of these gains (losses).

The maturities of the energy-related derivative contracts and the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	<b>September 30, 2009</b>			
	<b>Fair Value Measurements</b>			
	Total Fair Value	Maturity Years		
		Year 1	2&3	4&5
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Level 1	\$	\$	\$	\$
Level 2	3.8	2.6	1.1	0.1
Level 3				
Fair value of contracts outstanding at end of period	\$3.8	\$2.6	\$ 1.1	\$ 0.1

Southern Power uses over-the-counter contracts that are not exchange traded but are fair valued using prices which are actively quoted, and thus fall into Level 2. See Note (C) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for further discussion on fair value measurements.

For additional information, see MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY Market Price Risk of Southern Power in Item 7 and Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements of Southern Power under Financial Instruments in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and Note (E) to the Condensed Financial Statements herein.

**Financing Activities**

Southern Power did not issue or redeem any long-term securities during the nine months ended September 30, 2009.



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**NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:****(A) INTRODUCTION**

The condensed quarterly financial statements of each registrant included herein have been prepared by such registrant, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the SEC. The Condensed Balance Sheets as of December 31, 2008 have been derived from the audited financial statements of each registrant. In the opinion of each registrant's management, the information regarding such registrant furnished herein reflects all adjustments, which, except as otherwise disclosed, are of a normal recurring nature, necessary to present fairly the results of operations for the periods ended September 30, 2009 and 2008. In addition, all subsequent events have been evaluated for disclosure through the issuance of the financial statements on November 6, 2009. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, although each registrant believes that the disclosures regarding such registrant are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. Disclosures which would substantially duplicate the disclosures in the audited financial statements included in the Form 10-K and, with respect to Southern Company, the subsequently revised audited financial statements included in the Current Report on Form 8-K filed May 8, 2009 (the Form 8-K), and details which have not changed significantly in amount or composition since the filing of the Form 10-K and, for Southern Company, the Form 8-K are generally omitted from this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Therefore, these Condensed Financial Statements should be read in conjunction with the financial statements and the notes thereto included in the Form 10-K and, for Southern Company, the Form 8-K. Due to the seasonal variations in the demand for energy, operating results for the periods presented do not necessarily indicate operating results for the entire year.

**Reclassifications**

Certain prior period data presented in the financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. For comparative purposes, each registrant's statements of income for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2008 were modified within the operating expenses section to combine the line items Other operations and Maintenance into a single line item entitled Other operations and maintenance. The balance sheets at December 31, 2008 of Southern Company, Alabama Power, and Georgia Power were modified to present a separate line item for Other regulatory assets, current previously included in Other current assets and a separate line item for Other regulatory liabilities, current previously included in Other current liabilities. In addition, Georgia Power's balance sheet was modified to present a separate line item for Joint owner accounts receivable previously included in Other accounts and notes receivable and to reflect a new line item Liabilities from risk management activities previously included in Other current liabilities. Gulf Power's balance sheet shows separately the amount of Prepaid expenses previously reported in Other current assets in the prior period. Southern Company modified its statements of cash flows within the investing activities section by collapsing the line items Investment in unconsolidated subsidiaries and Hurricane Katrina capital grant proceeds previously shown as separate line items into Other investing activities while Change in construction payables previously included in Other investing activities is shown separately in the current presentation. Within the operating activities of Georgia Power's statements of cash flows, Deferred expenses, and Insurance cash surrender value previously included in Other, net in the prior period are now shown as separate line items, and Deferred expenses affiliates previously shown as a separate line item is included in the line item Deferred expenses. Also, within the financing activities of the same statement, the line item Capital leases was collapsed into Other



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financing activities. Mississippi Power's statement of cash flows for the nine months ended September 30, 2008 was modified within the operating activities to present separately from Other, net the amount of Generation construction screening expense.

These reclassifications had no effect on total assets, net income, cash flows, or earnings per share.

Effective January 1, 2009, Southern Company and its subsidiaries adopted retrospectively a new accounting standard for noncontrolling interests. In connection with the adoption, Southern Company evaluated the requirements with respect to the presentation of preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries. Based on the accounting guidance, the preferred and preference stock at Georgia Power and the preference stock at Alabama Power and Gulf Power are considered to be noncontrolling interests and are separately presented as a component of Stockholders' Equity on Southern Company's consolidated balance sheets. The preferred stock of Alabama Power and Mississippi Power contains a feature that allows the holders to elect a majority of such subsidiary's board of directors if dividends are not paid for four consecutive quarters. Because such a potential redemption-triggering event is not solely within the control of Alabama Power and Mississippi Power, this preferred stock is presented as Redeemable Preferred Stock of Subsidiaries in a manner consistent with temporary equity. The preferred and preference stock at Georgia Power and the preference stock at Alabama Power and Gulf Power do not contain such a provision that would allow the holders to elect a majority of such subsidiary's board.

In addition, the new accounting standard for noncontrolling interests requires that preferred and preference dividends of subsidiaries previously presented within Southern Company's consolidated statements of income as a component of Other Income and (Expense) be presented as a deduction from Consolidated Net Income to arrive at Consolidated Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock. In Southern Company's consolidated statements of cash flows, the preferred and preference dividends previously classified in operating activities are now classified in financing activities.

**Southern Power Depreciation Policy**

See Note 1 to the financial statements of Southern Power under Depreciation in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding Southern Power's depreciation policy. Southern Power revised its depreciation rates in 2009. The change in estimate is due to revised useful life assumptions for certain components of plant in service. The expected 2009 impact to Southern Power is an increase in depreciation expense of \$4.8 million and a reduction in net income of \$2.9 million.

**Nuclear Relicensing**

The NRC operating licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 were scheduled to expire in January 2027 and February 2029, respectively. In June 2007, Georgia Power filed an application with the NRC to extend the licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 for an additional 20 years. On June 3, 2009, the NRC approved the extension of the licenses as requested.

**Leveraged Leases**

On June 29, 2009, Southern Company terminated two international leveraged lease investments for a net gain, after termination of related debt, of \$25.5 million. The termination is reflected on the statements of cash flows and the statements of income on line items Proceeds from property sales, Gain on disposition of lease termination, and Loss on extinguishment of debt.



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See Note 3 to the financial statements of the registrants in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information relating to various lawsuits, other contingencies, and regulatory matters.

**General Litigation Matters**

Each registrant is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In addition, each registrant's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment, such as regulation of air emissions and water discharges. Litigation over environmental issues and claims of various types, including property damage, personal injury, common law nuisance, and citizen enforcement of environmental requirements such as opacity and air and water quality standards, has increased generally throughout the United States. In particular, personal injury claims for damages caused by alleged exposure to hazardous materials, and common law nuisance claims for injunctive relief and property damage allegedly caused by greenhouse gas emissions, have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against the registrants and any of their subsidiaries cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein or in Note 3 to the financial statements of each registrant in Item 8 of the Form 10-K, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on such registrant's financial statements.

**Mirant Matters**

Mirant was an energy company with businesses that included independent power projects and energy trading and risk management companies in the United States and selected other countries. It was a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southern Company until its initial public offering in October 2000. In April 2001, Southern Company completed a spin-off to its shareholders of its remaining ownership, and Mirant became an independent corporate entity.

***Mirant Bankruptcy***

In July 2003, Mirant and certain of its affiliates filed voluntary petitions for relief under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas. The Bankruptcy Court entered an order confirming Mirant's plan of reorganization in December 2005, and Mirant announced that this plan became effective in January 2006. As part of the plan, Mirant transferred substantially all of its assets and its restructured debt to a new corporation that adopted the name Mirant Corporation (Reorganized Mirant). Southern Company has certain contingent liabilities associated with guarantees of contractual commitments made by Mirant's subsidiaries discussed under *Guarantees* in Note 7 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K and with various lawsuits related to Mirant discussed below. Also, Southern Company has joint and several liability with Mirant regarding the joint consolidated federal income tax returns through 2001, as discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. In December 2004, as a result of concluding an IRS audit for the tax years 2000 and 2001, Southern Company paid approximately \$39 million in additional tax and interest related to Mirant tax items and filed a claim in Mirant's bankruptcy case for that amount. Southern Company has received from the IRS approximately \$38 million in refunds related to Mirant. Southern Company believes it has a right to recoup the \$39 million tax payment owed by Mirant from such tax refunds. As a result, Southern Company intends to retain the tax refunds and reduce its claim against Mirant for the payment of Mirant taxes by the amount of such refunds. MC Asset Recovery, LLC, a special purpose subsidiary of Reorganized Mirant (MC Asset Recovery), has objected to and sought to equitably subordinate the Southern Company tax claim in its fraudulent transfer litigation against Southern Company. Southern Company's proofs of claim filed in the Mirant bankruptcy survive the settlement of the MC Asset Recovery litigation. Southern Company has reserved the remaining amount with respect to its Mirant tax claim.



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Under the terms of the separation agreements entered into in connection with the spin-off, Mirant agreed to indemnify Southern Company for costs associated with these guarantees, lawsuits, and additional IRS assessments. As a result of Mirant's bankruptcy, Southern Company sought reimbursement as an unsecured creditor in Mirant's Chapter 11 proceeding. As part of a complaint filed against Southern Company in June 2005 and amended thereafter, Mirant and The Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of Mirant Corporation (Unsecured Creditors' Committee) objected to and sought equitable subordination of Southern Company's claims, and Mirant moved to reject the separation agreements entered into in connection with the spin-off, which motion was granted on June 4, 2009. MC Asset Recovery has been substituted as plaintiff in the complaint. If Southern Company's claims for indemnification with respect to these, or any additional future payments, are allowed, then Mirant's indemnity obligations to Southern Company would constitute unsecured claims against Mirant entitled to stock in Reorganized Mirant. The final outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

***MC Asset Recovery Litigation***

In June 2005, Mirant, as a debtor in possession, and the Unsecured Creditors' Committee filed a complaint against Southern Company in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas, which was amended in July 2005, February 2006, May 2006, and March 2007.

In December 2005, the Bankruptcy Court entered an order authorizing the transfer of this proceeding, along with certain other actions, to MC Asset Recovery. Under that order, Reorganized Mirant was obligated to fund up to \$20 million in professional fees in connection with the lawsuits, as well as certain additional amounts. Any net recoveries from these lawsuits would be distributed to, and shared equally by, certain unsecured creditors and the original equity holders. In January 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas substituted MC Asset Recovery as plaintiff.

The complaint, as amended in March 2007, alleged that Southern Company caused Mirant to engage in certain fraudulent transfers and to pay illegal dividends to Southern Company prior to the spin-off. The alleged fraudulent transfers and illegal dividends included without limitation: (1) certain dividends from Mirant to Southern Company in the aggregate amount of \$668 million, (2) the repayment of certain intercompany loans and accrued interest in an aggregate amount of \$1.035 billion, and (3) the dividend distribution of one share of Series B Preferred Stock and its subsequent redemption in exchange for Mirant's 80% interest in a holding company that owned SE Finance Capital Corporation and Southern Company Capital Funding, Inc., which transfer plaintiff asserted was valued at over \$200 million. The complaint also sought to recharacterize certain advances from Southern Company to Mirant for investments in energy facilities from debt to equity. The complaint further alleged that Southern Company was liable to Mirant's creditors for the full amount of Mirant's liability under an alter ego theory of recovery and that Southern Company breached its fiduciary duties to Mirant and its creditors, caused Mirant to breach its fiduciary duties to creditors, and aided and abetted breaches of fiduciary duties by Mirant's directors and officers. The complaint also sought recoveries under the theories of restitution and unjust enrichment. In addition, the complaint alleged a claim under the Federal Debt Collection Procedure Act (FDCPA) to avoid certain transfers from Mirant to Southern Company; however, in July 2008, the court ruled that the FDCPA does not apply and that Georgia law should apply instead. The complaint sought monetary damages in excess of \$2 billion plus interest, punitive damages, attorneys' fees, and costs. Finally, the complaint included an objection to Southern Company's pending claims against Mirant in the Bankruptcy Court (which relate to reimbursement under the separation agreements of payments such as income taxes, interest, legal fees, and other guarantees described in Note 7 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K) and sought equitable subordination of Southern Company's claims to the claims of all other creditors. Southern Company served an answer to the complaint in April 2007.

In January 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas granted Southern Company's motion to withdraw this action from the Bankruptcy Court and, in February 2006, granted Southern Company's motion to transfer the case to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. In May 2006, Southern Company filed a motion for summary judgment seeking entry of judgment against the plaintiff as to all counts

of the complaint. In December 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia granted in part and denied in part the motion. As a result, certain breach of fiduciary duty claims alleged in earlier versions of

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the complaint were barred; all other claims in the complaint were allowed to proceed. In August 2008, Southern Company filed a second motion for summary judgment. MC Asset Recovery filed its response to Southern Company's motion for summary judgment in October 2008. On February 5, 2009, the court denied the summary judgment motion in connection with the fraudulent conveyance and illegal dividend claims concerning certain advance return/loan repayments in 1999, dividends in 1999 and 2000, and transfers in connection with Mirant's separation from Southern Company. The court granted Southern Company's motion for summary judgment with respect to certain claims, including claims for unjust enrichment, claims that Southern Company aided and abetted Mirant's directors' breach of fiduciary duties to Mirant, and claims that Southern Company used Mirant as an alter ego. In addition, the court granted Southern Company's motion in connection with the fraudulent transfer and illegal dividend claims concerning certain turbine termination payments.

On March 31, 2009, Southern Company entered into a settlement agreement with MC Asset Recovery to resolve the action. The settlement includes an agreement by Southern Company to pay MC Asset Recovery \$202 million and requires MC Asset Recovery to release Southern Company and certain other designated avoidance actions assigned to MC Asset Recovery in connection with Mirant's plan of reorganization, as well as to release all actions against current or former officers and directors of Mirant and Southern Company that have or could have been filed. Pursuant to the settlement, Southern Company recorded a charge in the first quarter 2009 of \$202 million, which was paid in the second quarter 2009. The settlement has been completed and resolves all claims by MC Asset Recovery against Southern Company. On June 29, 2009, the case was dismissed with prejudice. Southern Company's claims in the Mirant bankruptcy remain pending. Southern Company is currently evaluating potential recovery of the settlement payment through various means. The degree to which any recovery is realized will determine, in part, the final income tax treatment of the settlement payment. The ultimate outcome of any such recovery and/or income tax treatment cannot be determined at this time.

**Environmental Matters*****New Source Review Actions***

In November 1999, the EPA brought a civil action in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia against certain Southern Company subsidiaries, including Alabama Power and Georgia Power, alleging that these subsidiaries had violated the NSR provisions of the Clean Air Act and related state laws at certain coal-fired generating facilities. Through subsequent amendments and other legal procedures, the EPA filed a separate action in January 2001 against Alabama Power in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama after Alabama Power was dismissed from the original action. In these lawsuits, the EPA alleged that NSR violations occurred at eight coal-fired generating facilities operated by Alabama Power and Georgia Power, including one facility co-owned by Mississippi Power. The civil actions request penalties and injunctive relief, including an order requiring the installation of the best available control technology at the affected units. The EPA concurrently issued notices of violation to Gulf Power and Mississippi Power relating to Gulf Power's Plant Crist and Mississippi Power's Plant Watson. In early 2000, the EPA filed a motion to amend its complaint to add Gulf Power and Mississippi Power as defendants based on the allegations in the notices of violation. However, in March 2001, the Court denied the motion based on lack of jurisdiction, and the EPA has not refiled. The action against Georgia Power has been administratively closed since the spring of 2001, and the case has not been reopened.

In June 2006, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama entered a consent decree between Alabama Power and the EPA, resolving a portion of the Alabama Power lawsuit relating to the alleged NSR violations at Plant Miller. The consent decree required Alabama Power to pay \$100,000 to resolve the government's claim for a civil penalty and to donate \$4.9 million of sulfur dioxide emission allowances to a nonprofit charitable organization. It also formalized specific emissions reductions to be accomplished by Alabama Power, consistent with other Clean Air Act programs that require emissions reductions. In

August 2006, the district court in Alabama granted Alabama Power's motion for summary judgment and entered final judgment in favor of Alabama Power on the EPA's claims related to all of the remaining plants: Plants Barry, Gaston, Gorgas, and Greene County.

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The plaintiffs appealed the district court's decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, where the appeal was stayed, pending the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in a similar case against Duke Energy. The Supreme Court issued its decision in the Duke Energy case in April 2007, and in December 2007, the Eleventh Circuit vacated the district court's decision in the Alabama Power case and remanded the case back to the district court for consideration of the legal issues in light of the Supreme Court's decision in the Duke Energy case. In July 2008, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama granted partial summary judgment in favor of Alabama Power regarding the proper legal test for determining whether projects are routine maintenance, repair, and replacement and therefore are excluded from NSR permitting. The decision did not resolve the case, and the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

Southern Company and the traditional operating companies believe they have complied with applicable laws and the EPA regulations and interpretations in effect at the time the work in question took place. The Clean Air Act authorizes maximum civil penalties of \$25,000 to \$37,500 per day, per violation at each generating unit, depending on the date of the alleged violation. An adverse outcome in these matters could require substantial capital expenditures or affect the timing of currently budgeted capital expenditures that cannot be determined at this time and could possibly require payment of substantial penalties. Such expenditures could affect future results of operations, cash flows, and financial condition if such costs are not recovered through regulated rates.

***Carbon Dioxide Litigation****New York Case*

In July 2004, three environmental groups and attorneys general from eight states, each outside of Southern Company's service territory, and the corporation counsel for New York City filed complaints in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York against Southern Company and four other electric power companies. The complaints allege that the companies' emissions of carbon dioxide, a greenhouse gas, contribute to global warming, which the plaintiffs assert is a public nuisance. Under common law public and private nuisance theories, the plaintiffs seek a judicial order (1) holding each defendant jointly and severally liable for creating, contributing to, and/or maintaining global warming and (2) requiring each of the defendants to cap its emissions of carbon dioxide and then reduce those emissions by a specified percentage each year for at least a decade. The plaintiffs have not, however, requested that damages be awarded in connection with their claims. Southern Company believes these claims are without merit and notes that the complaint cites no statutory or regulatory basis for the claims. In September 2005, the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York granted Southern Company's and the other defendants' motions to dismiss these cases. The plaintiffs filed an appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in October 2005 and, on September 21, 2009, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit reversed the district court's ruling, vacating the dismissal of the plaintiffs' claim, and remanding the case to the district court. This ruling is subject to potential reconsideration and appeal. Therefore, the ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

*Kivalina Case*

In February 2008, the Native Village of Kivalina and the City of Kivalina filed a suit in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California against several electric utilities (including Southern Company), several oil companies, and a coal company. The plaintiffs are the governing bodies of an Inupiat village in Alaska. The plaintiffs contend that the village is being destroyed by erosion allegedly caused by global warming that the plaintiffs attribute to emissions of greenhouse gases by the defendants. The plaintiffs assert claims for public and private nuisance and contend that the defendants have acted in concert and are therefore jointly and severally liable for the plaintiffs' damages. The suit seeks damages for lost property values and for the cost of relocating the village, which is alleged to be \$95 million to \$400 million. Southern Company believes that these claims are without merit and notes that the complaint cites no statutory or regulatory basis for the claims. On September 30, 2009, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granted the defendants

motions to dismiss the case based on lack of jurisdiction and ruled that the claims were barred by the political question doctrine and by the plaintiffs failure to establish the standard for determining that the defendants

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conduct caused the injury alleged. The ultimate outcome of this matter may depend on appeals or other legal proceedings and cannot be determined at this time.

**Environmental Remediation**

The registrants must comply with environmental laws and regulations that cover the handling and disposal of waste and releases of hazardous substances. Under these various laws and regulations, the subsidiaries may also incur substantial costs to clean up properties. The traditional operating companies have each received authority from their respective state PSCs to recover approved environmental compliance costs through regulatory mechanisms. Within limits approved by the state PSCs, these rates are adjusted annually or as necessary. Georgia Power's environmental remediation liability at September 30, 2009 was \$13.6 million. Georgia Power has been designated or identified as a potentially responsible party (PRP) at sites governed by the Georgia Hazardous Site Response Act and/or by the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), including a large site in Brunswick, Georgia on the CERCLA National Priorities List (NPL). The parties have completed the removal of wastes from the Brunswick site as ordered by the EPA. Additional claims for recovery of natural resource damages at this site or for the assessment and potential cleanup of other sites on the Georgia Hazardous Sites Inventory and CERCLA NPL are anticipated. By letter dated September 30, 2008, the EPA advised Georgia Power that it has been designated as a PRP at the Ward Transformer Superfund site located in Raleigh, North Carolina. Numerous other entities have also received notices from the EPA. Georgia Power, along with other named PRPs, is negotiating with the EPA to address cleanup of the site and reimbursement for past expenditures related to work performed at the site. In addition, on April 30, 2009, two PRPs filed separate actions in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina against numerous other PRPs, including Georgia Power, seeking contribution from the defendants for expenses incurred by the plaintiffs related to work performed at a portion of the site. The ultimate outcome of these matters will depend upon further environmental assessment and the ultimate number of PRPs and cannot be determined at this time; however, it is not expected to have a material impact on Georgia Power's financial statements.

Gulf Power's environmental remediation liability includes estimated costs of environmental remediation projects of approximately \$66.6 million at September 30, 2009. These estimated costs relate to site closure criteria by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) for potential impacts to soil and groundwater from herbicide applications at Gulf Power substations. The schedule for completion of the remediation projects will be subject to FDEP approval. The projects have been approved by the Florida PSC for recovery through Gulf Power's environmental cost recovery clause; therefore, there was no impact on net income as a result of these estimates.

In 2003, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) designated Mississippi Power as a PRP at a site in Texas. The site was owned by an electric transformer company that handled Mississippi Power's transformers as well as those of many other entities. The site owner is now in bankruptcy and the State of Texas has entered into an agreement with Mississippi Power and several other utilities to investigate and remediate the site. Amounts expensed related to this work have not been material. Hundreds of entities have received notices from the TCEQ requesting their participation in the anticipated site remediation. The final impact of this matter on Mississippi Power will depend upon further environmental assessment and the ultimate number of PRPs. The remediation expenses incurred by Mississippi Power are expected to be recovered through the ECO Plan. See Note 3 to the financial statements of Mississippi Power under "Retail Regulatory Matters - Environmental Compliance Overview Plan" in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

The final outcome of these matters cannot now be determined. However, based on the currently known conditions at these sites and the nature and extent of activities relating to these sites, Southern Company, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power do not believe that additional liabilities, if any, at these sites would be material to their respective financial statements.



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Each of the traditional operating companies and Southern Power has authorization from the FERC to sell power to non-affiliates, including short-term opportunity sales, at market-based prices. Specific FERC approval must be obtained with respect to a market-based contract with an affiliate.

In December 2004, the FERC initiated a proceeding to assess Southern Company's generation dominance within its retail service territory. The ability to charge market-based rates in other markets is not an issue in the proceeding. Any new market-based rate sales by any subsidiary of Southern Company in Southern Company's retail service territory entered into during a 15-month refund period that ended in May 2006 could be subject to refund to a cost-based rate level.

In November 2007, the presiding administrative law judge issued an initial decision regarding the methodology to be used in the generation dominance tests. The proceedings are ongoing. The ultimate outcome of this generation dominance proceeding cannot now be determined, but an adverse decision by the FERC in a final order could require the traditional operating companies and Southern Power to charge cost-based rates for certain wholesale sales in the Southern Company retail service territory, which may be lower than negotiated market-based rates and could also result in total refunds of up to \$19.7 million, plus interest. The potential refunds include \$3.9 million for Alabama Power, \$5.8 million for Georgia Power, \$0.8 million for Gulf Power, \$8.4 million for Mississippi Power, and \$0.7 million for Southern Power, in each case plus interest. Southern Company and its subsidiaries believe that there is no meritorious basis for an adverse decision in this proceeding and are vigorously defending themselves in this matter.

In June 2007, the FERC issued its final rule in Order No. 697 regarding market-based rate authority. The FERC generally retained its current market-based rate standards. Responding to a number of requests for rehearing, the FERC issued Order No. 697-A on April 21, 2008, Order No. 697-B on December 12, 2008, and Order No. 697-C on June 16, 2009. These orders largely affirmed and clarified the FERC's prior revision and codification of the regulations governing market-based rates for public utilities. In accordance with the orders, Southern Company submitted to the FERC an updated market power analysis in September 2008 related to its continued market-based rate authority.

In October 2008, Southern Company filed with the FERC a revised market-based rate (MBR) tariff and a new cost-based rate (CBR) tariff. The revised MBR tariff provides for a "must offer" energy auction whereby Southern Company offers all of its available energy for sale in a day-ahead auction and an hour-ahead auction with reserve prices not to exceed the CBR tariff price, after considering Southern Company's native load requirements, reliability obligations, and sales commitments to third parties. All sales under the energy auction would be at market clearing prices established under the auction rules. The new CBR tariff provides for a cost-based price for wholesale sales of less than a year. On March 5, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's CBR tariff for filing. On March 25, 2009, the FERC accepted Southern Company's compliance filing related to the MBR tariff and directed Southern Company to commence the energy auction within 30 days. Southern Company commenced the energy auction on April 23, 2009. The FERC has determined that implementation of the energy auction in accordance with the MBR tariff order adequately mitigates going forward any presumption of market power that Southern Company may have in the Southern Company retail service territory and adjacent market areas.

***Intercompany Interchange Contract***

Southern Company's generation fleet in its retail service territory is operated under the IIC as approved by the FERC. In May 2005, the FERC initiated a new proceeding to examine (1) the provisions of the IIC among the traditional operating companies, Southern Power, and SCS, as agent, under the terms of which the Power Pool is operated, (2) whether any parties to the IIC have violated the FERC's standards of conduct applicable to utility



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companies that are transmission providers, and (3) whether Southern Company's code of conduct defining Southern Power as a system company rather than a marketing affiliate is just and reasonable. In connection with the formation of Southern Power, the FERC authorized Southern Power's inclusion in the IIC in 2000. The FERC also previously approved Southern Company's code of conduct.

In October 2006, the FERC issued an order accepting a settlement resolving the proceeding subject to Southern Company's agreement to accept certain modifications to the settlement's terms and Southern Company notified the FERC that it accepted the modifications. The modifications largely involve functional separation and information restrictions related to marketing activities conducted on behalf of Southern Power. In November 2006, Southern Company filed with the FERC a compliance plan in connection with the order. In April 2007, the FERC approved, with certain modifications, the plan submitted by Southern Company. Implementation of the plan did not have a material impact on Southern Company's or the traditional operating companies' financial statements. Southern Power's annual cost of implementing the compliance plan is approximately \$7.0 million. In November 2007, Southern Company notified the FERC that the plan had been implemented. In December 2008, the FERC division of audits issued for public comment its final audit report pertaining to compliance implementation and related matters. No comments challenging the audit report's findings were submitted. A decision is now pending from the FERC.

***Generation Interconnection Agreements***

In November 2004, generator company subsidiaries of Tenaska, Inc. (Tenaska), as counterparties to three previously executed interconnection agreements with subsidiaries of Southern Company, filed complaints at the FERC requesting that the FERC modify the agreements and that those Southern Company subsidiaries refund a total of \$19 million previously paid for interconnection facilities, of which \$11 million would be refunded by Alabama Power and \$8 million by Georgia Power. No other similar complaints are pending with the FERC. In January 2007, the FERC issued an order granting Tenaska's requested relief. Although the FERC's order required the modification of Tenaska's interconnection agreements, under the provisions of the order, Southern Company determined that no refund was payable to Tenaska. Southern Company requested rehearing asserting that the FERC retroactively applied a new principle to existing interconnection agreements. Tenaska requested rehearing of FERC's methodology for determining the amount of refunds. The requested rehearings were denied, and Southern Company and Tenaska appealed the orders to the U.S. Circuit Court for the District of Columbia. On July 7, 2009, the court affirmed the FERC's January 2007 order and, on September 9, 2009, denied Tenaska's petitions for rehearing of such order. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

***Right of Way Litigation***

Southern Company and certain of its subsidiaries, including Mississippi Power, have been named as defendants in numerous lawsuits brought by landowners since 2001. The plaintiffs' lawsuits claim that defendants may not use, or sublease to third parties, some or all of the fiber optic communications lines on the rights of way that cross the plaintiffs' properties and that such actions exceed the easements or other property rights held by defendants. The plaintiffs assert claims for, among other things, trespass and unjust enrichment and seek compensatory and punitive damages and injunctive relief. Management of Southern Company and Mississippi Power believe that they have complied with applicable laws and that the plaintiffs' claims are without merit. To date, Mississippi Power has entered into agreements with plaintiffs in approximately 95% of the actions pending against Mississippi Power to clarify its easement rights in the State of Mississippi. These agreements have been approved by the Circuit Courts of Harrison County and Jasper County, Mississippi (First Judicial Circuit), and dismissals of the related cases are in progress. These agreements have not resulted in any material effects on Southern Company's or Mississippi Power's financial statements.

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In addition, in late 2001, certain subsidiaries of Southern Company, including Mississippi Power, were named as defendants in a lawsuit brought in Troup County, Georgia, Superior Court by Interstate Fibernet, Inc., a subsidiary of telecommunications company ITC DeltaCom, Inc. that uses rights of way. This lawsuit alleges, among other things, that the defendants are contractually obligated to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the telecommunications company from any liability that may be assessed against it in pending and future right of way litigation. Southern Company and Mississippi Power believe that the plaintiff's claims are without merit. In the fall of 2004, the trial court stayed the case until resolution of the underlying landowner litigation discussed above. In January 2005, the Georgia Court of Appeals dismissed the telecommunications company's appeal of the trial court's order for lack of jurisdiction. An adverse outcome in this matter, combined with an adverse outcome against the telecommunications company in one or more of the right of way lawsuits, could result in substantial judgments; however, the final outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

**Nuclear Fuel Disposal Cost Litigation**

See Note 3 to the financial statements of Southern Company, Alabama Power, and Georgia Power under Nuclear Fuel Disposal Costs in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information regarding the litigation brought by Alabama Power and Georgia Power against the government for breach of contracts related to the disposal of spent nuclear fuel. In July 2007, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims awarded Georgia Power a total of \$30 million, based on its ownership interests, and awarded Alabama Power \$17.3 million, representing all of the direct costs of the expansion of spent nuclear fuel storage facilities from 1998 through 2004. In August 2007, the government filed a motion for reconsideration, which was denied in November 2007. In January 2008, the government filed a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. In February 2008, the government filed a motion to stay the appeal pending the court's decisions in three other cases already on appeal. In April 2008, the court granted the government's motion to stay the appeal pending the court's decisions in three other similar cases already on appeal. Those cases were decided in August 2008. The Court of Appeals has left the stay of appeals in place pending appeals in two other cases involving spent nuclear fuel contracts. In April 2008, a second claim against the government was filed for damages incurred after December 31, 2004 (the court-mandated cut-off in the original claim), due to the government's alleged continuing breach of contract. In October 2008, the court denied a similar request by the government to stay this proceeding. The complaint does not contain any specific dollar amount for recovery of damages. Damages will continue to accumulate until the issue is resolved or the storage is provided. No amounts have been recognized in the financial statements as of September 30, 2009 for either claim. The final outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time; however, no material impact on net income is expected as any damage amounts collected from the government are expected to be returned to customers.

**Income Tax Matters*****Leveraged Leases***

In 2002, the IRS began the examination of three sale-in-lease-out (SILO) transactions entered into by Southern Company. As a result of this examination, the IRS challenged the deductions related to these transactions. Southern Company disagreed with the IRS's conclusion, went through all administrative appeals, paid approximately \$168 million of the additional tax, and sued the IRS for the refund of such taxes. During the second quarter 2008, decisions in favor of the IRS were reached in several court cases involving other taxpayers with similar leveraged lease investments. Pursuant to the application of certain accounting standards related to leveraged leases, management is required to assess on a periodic basis the likely outcome of the uncertain tax positions related to the SILO transactions. Based on these accounting standards and management's review of the recent court decisions, Southern Company recorded an after-tax charge of approximately \$67 million in the second quarter 2008.



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In December 2008, Southern Company received from the Commissioner of the IRS an invitation to participate in a global settlement initiative related to the SILO transactions. Southern Company accepted the settlement offer on January 8, 2009. Pursuant to the settlement offer, Southern Company recorded an additional after-tax charge in the fourth quarter 2008 of \$16 million. Including the charge recorded in the second quarter 2008, total after-tax charges related to settling the SILO litigation amounted to \$83 million in 2008. Of the total, approximately \$7 million represented interest and \$76 million represented non-cash charges related to the reallocation of lease income and will be recognized in income over the remaining term of the affected leases. All additional taxes due as a result of the settlement have now been paid. A final closing agreement with the IRS was signed on June 19, 2009. This agreement ends the dispute with the IRS. Subsequent to the settlement, Southern Company terminated one of the SILOs and one other international leveraged lease. Of the \$76 million non-cash charges related to the IRS settlement, approximately \$30 million related to the SILO which was terminated on June 29, 2009.

***Georgia State Income Tax Credits***

Georgia Power's 2005 through 2008 income tax filings for the State of Georgia include state income tax credits for increased activity through Georgia ports. Georgia Power has also filed similar claims for the years 2002 through 2004. The Georgia Department of Revenue has not responded to these claims. In July 2007, Georgia Power filed a complaint in the Superior Court of Fulton County to recover the credits claimed for the years 2002 through 2004. An unrecognized tax benefit has been recorded related to these credits. If Georgia Power prevails, these claims could have a significant, and possibly material, positive effect on Southern Company's and Georgia Power's net income. If Georgia Power is not successful, payment of the related state tax could have a significant, and possibly material, negative effect on Southern Company's and Georgia Power's cash flow. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

***Retail Rate Matters***

Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, Georgia Power's earnings are evaluated against a retail return on equity (ROE) range of 10.25% to 12.25%. In connection with the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the Georgia PSC ordered that Georgia Power file its next general base rate case by July 1, 2010; however, the 2007 Retail Rate Plan provided that Georgia Power may file for a general base rate increase in the event its projected retail ROE falls below 10.25%.

The economic recession has significantly reduced Georgia Power's revenues upon which retail rates were set under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan. Despite stringent efforts to reduce expenses, current projections indicate Georgia Power's retail ROE will be less than 10.25% in both 2009 and 2010. However, in lieu of filing to increase customer rates as allowed under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, on June 29, 2009, Georgia Power filed a request with the Georgia PSC for an accounting order that would allow Georgia Power to amortize approximately \$324 million of its regulatory liability related to other cost of removal obligations. On August 27, 2009, the Georgia PSC approved the accounting order. Under the terms of the accounting order, if Georgia Power does not file for a retail base rate increase in 2009, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to one-third of the regulatory liability (\$108 million) in 2009. Through September 30, 2009, Georgia Power has amortized \$54 million of the regulatory liability. In addition, Georgia Power will be entitled to amortize up to two-thirds of the regulatory liability (\$216 million) in 2010. In the event Georgia Power files for a retail base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010, then the amortization of the regulatory liability in 2010 would be reduced by one-sixth for each month that such rate case is filed prior to July 1, 2010.

Furthermore, the amortization of the regulatory liability is limited to only the amount that would allow Georgia Power to earn a retail ROE not more than 9.75% in 2009 and 10.15% in 2010. In addition, Georgia Power may not file for a base rate increase prior to July 1, 2010 unless economic conditions beyond its control continue to reduce Georgia Power's projected retail ROE and in no event unless Georgia Power's projected retail ROE for 2009 or 2010 is less than 9.25% after taking into consideration amortization of the regulatory liability.





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On January 16, 2009, Mississippi Power filed for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity with the Mississippi PSC to allow construction of a new electric generating plant located in Kemper County, Mississippi. The plant would utilize an advanced integrated coal gasification combined cycle technology with an output capacity of 582 MWs. The Kemper IGCC will use locally mined lignite (an abundant, lower heating value coal) from a proposed mine adjacent to the plant as fuel. This certificate, if approved by the Mississippi PSC, would authorize Mississippi Power to acquire, construct and operate the Kemper IGCC and related facilities. The Kemper IGCC, subject to federal and state reviews and certain regulatory approvals, is expected to begin commercial operation in May 2014. As part of its filing, Mississippi Power has requested certain rate recovery treatment in accordance with the base load construction legislation.

Mississippi Power filed an application in June 2006 with the DOE for certain tax credits available to projects using clean coal technologies under the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The DOE subsequently certified the Kemper IGCC, and in November 2006 the IRS allocated Internal Revenue Code Section 48A tax credits of \$133 million to Mississippi Power. On May 11, 2009, Mississippi Power received notification from the IRS formally certifying these tax credits. The utilization of these credits is dependent upon meeting the certification requirements for the Kemper IGCC, including an in-service date no later than May 2014. Mississippi Power has secured all environmental reviews and permits necessary to commence construction of the Kemper IGCC and has entered into a binding contract for the steam turbine generator, completing two milestone requirements for the Section 48A credits.

On February 14, 2008, Mississippi Power also requested that the DOE transfer the remaining funds previously granted to a cancelled Southern Company project that would have been located in Orlando, Florida. On December 12, 2008, an agreement was reached to assign the remaining funds to the Kemper IGCC. The estimated construction cost of the Kemper IGCC is approximately \$2.2 billion, which is net of \$220 million related to funding to be received from the DOE related to project construction. The remaining DOE funding of \$50 million is projected to be used for demonstration over the first few years of operation.

On April 6, 2009, the Governor of the State of Mississippi signed into law a bill that will provide an ad valorem tax exemption for a portion of the assessed value of all property utilized in certain electric generating facilities with integrated gasification process facilities. This tax exemption, which may not exceed 50% of the total value of the project, is for projects with a capital investment from private sources of \$1 billion or more. Mississippi Power expects the Kemper IGCC, including the gasification portion, to be a qualifying project under the law. Beginning in December 2006, the Mississippi PSC has approved Mississippi Power's requested accounting treatment to defer the costs associated with Mississippi Power's generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities as a regulatory asset. On December 22, 2008, Mississippi Power requested an amendment to its original order that would allow these costs to continue to be charged to and remain in a regulatory asset until January 1, 2010. On April 6, 2009, Mississippi Power received an accounting order from the Mississippi PSC directing Mississippi Power to continue to charge all generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening costs to regulatory assets including those costs associated with activities to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity and costs necessary and prudent to preserve the availability, economic viability, and/or required schedule of the Kemper IGCC generation resource planning, evaluation, and screening activities until the Mississippi PSC makes findings and determination as to the recovery of Mississippi Power's prudent expenditures. The Mississippi PSC's determination of prudence for Mississippi Power's pre-construction costs is scheduled to occur by May 2010. As of September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power had spent a total of \$64.5 million associated with Mississippi Power's generation resource planning, evaluation, and

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screening activities, including regulatory filing costs. Costs incurred for the nine months ended September 30, 2009 totaled \$22.2 million as compared to \$18.1 million for the nine months ended September 30, 2008. Of the total \$64.5 million, \$59.8 million was deferred in other regulatory assets, \$3.9 million was related to land purchases capitalized, and \$0.8 million was previously expensed.

Several motions were filed by intervenors, most of which were procedural in nature and sought to stay or delay the timely and orderly administration of the docket. In addition to these procedural motions, a motion was filed by the Attorney General for the State of Mississippi which questioned whether the Mississippi PSC had authority to approve the gasification portion of the Kemper IGCC. On June 5, 2009, all of these motions were denied by the Mississippi PSC.

On June 5, 2009, the Mississippi PSC issued an order initiating an evaluation of the Kemper IGCC and establishing a two-phase procedural schedule. During Phase I, the Mississippi PSC will determine if a need exists for new generating resources. Hearings for Phase I were held in October 2009, and a decision is expected in November 2009. If it is determined a need exists in Phase I, the appropriate resource to fill the need as well as the cost recovery of that resource through application of the State of Mississippi's Baseload Act of 2008 will be determined during Phase II. Hearings regarding Phase II issues are scheduled for February 2010 with a decision by May 2010.

On September 15, 2009, South Mississippi Electric Power Association (SMEPA) signed a non-binding letter of intent to explore the acquisition of an interest in the Kemper IGCC. Mississippi Power and SMEPA are evaluating a combination of a joint ownership arrangement and a PPA which would provide SMEPA with up to 20% of the capacity and associated energy output from the Kemper IGCC.

The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

***Nuclear***

In August 2006, Southern Nuclear, on behalf of Georgia Power, Oglethorpe Power Corporation (OPC), the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG Power), and the City of Dalton, Georgia, an incorporated municipality in the State of Georgia acting by and through its Board of Water, Light and Sinking Fund Commissioners (collectively, Owners), filed an application with the NRC for an early site permit relating to two additional nuclear units on the site of Plant Vogtle. On August 26, 2009, the NRC issued the Early Site Permit and Limited Work Authorization for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. See Note 4 to the financial statements of Southern Company and Georgia Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information on these co-owners. On March 31, 2008, Southern Nuclear filed an application with the NRC for a combined construction and operating license (COL) for the new units. If licensed by the NRC, Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 are scheduled to be placed in service in 2016 and 2017, respectively.

On April 8, 2008, Georgia Power, acting for itself and as agent for the Owners, and a consortium consisting of Westinghouse and Stone & Webster, Inc. (collectively, Consortium) entered into an engineering, procurement, and construction agreement to design, engineer, procure, construct, and test two AP1000 nuclear units with electric generating capacity of approximately 1,100 MWs each and related facilities, structures, and improvements at Plant Vogtle (Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement).

The Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement is an arrangement whereby the Consortium supplies and constructs the entire facility with the exception of certain items provided by the Owners. Under the terms of the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement, the Owners will pay a purchase price that will be subject to certain price escalation and adjustments, adjustments for change orders, and performance bonuses. Each Owner is severally (and not jointly) liable for its proportionate share, based on its ownership interest, of all amounts owed to the Consortium under the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement. Georgia Power's proportionate share, based on its current ownership interest, is 45.7%.

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On March 17, 2009, the Georgia PSC voted to certify construction of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 at an in-service cost of \$6.4 billion. In addition, the Georgia PSC voted to approve inclusion of the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base and to recover financing costs during the construction period beginning in 2011, which reduces the projected in-service cost to approximately \$4.5 billion.

On April 21, 2009, the Governor of the State of Georgia signed into law the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act that will allow Georgia Power to recover financing costs for nuclear construction projects by including the related construction work in progress accounts in rate base during the construction period. The cost recovery provisions will become effective January 1, 2011.

On June 15, 2009, an environmental group filed a petition in the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia seeking review of the Georgia PSC's certification order and challenging the constitutionality of the Georgia Nuclear Energy Financing Act. Georgia Power believes there is no meritorious basis for this petition and intends to vigorously defend against the requested actions. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

On August 31, 2009, Georgia Power filed with the Georgia PSC its first semi-annual construction monitoring report for Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4 for the period ended June 30, 2009 which did not include any change to the estimated construction cost as certified by the Georgia PSC in March 2009. The Georgia PSC will conduct hearings between November 2009 and January 2010 in review of this report and is scheduled to render its decision on February 18, 2010. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time.

The Owners and the Consortium have agreed to certain liquidated damages upon the Consortium's failure to comply with the schedule and performance guarantees. The Owners and the Consortium also have agreed to certain bonuses payable to the Consortium for early completion and unit performance. The Consortium's liability to the Owners for schedule and performance liquidated damages and warranty claims is subject to a cap.

The obligations of Westinghouse Electric Company LLC and Stone & Webster, Inc. under the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement are guaranteed by Toshiba Corporation and The Shaw Group, Inc., respectively. In the event of certain credit rating downgrades of any Owner, such Owner will be required to provide a letter of credit or other credit enhancement.

In addition, the Owners may terminate the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement at any time for their convenience, provided that the Owners will be required to pay certain termination costs and, at certain stages of the work, cancellation fees to the Consortium. The Consortium may terminate the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement under certain circumstances, including delays in receipt of the COL or delivery of full notice to proceed, certain Owner suspension or delays of work, action by a governmental authority to permanently stop work, certain breaches of the Vogtle 3 and 4 Agreement by the Owners, Owner insolvency, and certain other events.

There are pending technical and procedural challenges to the construction and licensing of Plant Vogtle Units 3 and 4. Similar additional challenges at the state and federal level are expected as construction proceeds. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

Southern Company is also exploring other possibilities relating to additional nuclear power projects, both on its own or in partnership with other utilities. The final outcome of these matters cannot now be determined.

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As of September 30, 2009, assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis during the period, together with the level of the fair value hierarchy in which they fall, are as follows:

As of September 30, 2009:	Fair Value Measurements Using			Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
<b>Southern Company</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 20	\$	\$ 20
Nuclear decommissioning trusts <sup>(a)(b)</sup>	681	375		1,056
Cash equivalents and restricted cash	499			499
Other	3	48	31	82
Total	\$ 1,183	\$ 443	\$ 31	\$ 1,657
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 183	\$	\$ 183
Interest rate derivatives		12		12
Total	\$	\$ 195	\$	\$ 195
<b>Alabama Power</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 4	\$	\$ 4
Nuclear decommissioning trusts: <sup>(a)</sup>				
Domestic equity	275	48		323
U.S. Treasury and government agency securities		18		18
Corporate bonds	7	55		62
Mortgage and asset backed securities		48		48
Other		13		13
Cash equivalents and restricted cash	221			221
Total	\$ 503	\$ 186	\$	\$ 689
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 51	\$	\$ 51
Interest rate derivatives		6		6

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Total	\$	\$ 57	\$	\$ 57
<b>Georgia Power</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 5	\$	\$ 5
Nuclear decommissioning trusts: <sup>(a)</sup>				
Domestic equity	399	1		400
U.S. Treasury and government agency securities		42		42
Municipal bonds		20		20
Corporate bonds		96		96
Mortgage and asset backed securities		26		26
Other		8		8
Cash equivalents and restricted cash	6			6
Total	\$ 405	\$ 198	\$	\$ 603
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 71	\$	\$ 71
Interest rate derivatives		5		5
Total	\$	\$ 76	\$	\$ 76

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As of September 30, 2009:	Fair Value Measurements Using			Total
	Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1)	Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2)	Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3)	
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
<b>Gulf Power</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 1	\$	\$ 1
Cash equivalents and restricted cash	24			24
Total	\$ 24	\$ 1	\$	\$ 25
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 16	\$	\$ 16
Interest rate derivatives		1		1
Total	\$	\$ 17	\$	\$ 17
<b>Mississippi Power</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 2	\$	\$ 2
Cash equivalents	27			27
Total	\$ 27	\$ 2	\$	\$ 29
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 41	\$	\$ 41
<b>Southern Power</b>				
Assets:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 8	\$	\$ 8
Cash equivalents	126			126
Total	\$126	\$ 8	\$	\$134
Liabilities:				
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 4	\$	\$ 4

(a)

Excludes  
receivables  
related to  
investment  
income, pending  
investment sales,  
and payables  
related to pending  
investment  
purchases.

- (b) For additional  
detail, see the  
nuclear  
decommissioning  
trusts for  
Alabama Power  
and Georgia  
Power.

Energy-related derivatives and interest rate derivatives primarily consist of over-the-counter contracts. See Note (E) under Financial Instruments herein for additional information. The nuclear decommissioning trust funds are invested in a diversified mix of equity and fixed income securities. The cash equivalents and restricted cash consist of securities with original maturities of 90 days or less. Other represents marketable securities and certain deferred compensation funds also invested in various marketable securities. All of these financial instruments and investments are valued primarily using the market approach.

Changes in the fair value measurement of the Level 3 items using significant unobservable inputs for Southern Company at September 30, 2009 are as follows:

	Three Months Ended September 30, 2009	<b>Level 3 Other</b>  Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009
		<i>(in millions)</i>
Beginning balance	\$34	\$ 35
Total gains (losses) realized/unrealized:		
Included in earnings		(3)
Included in OCI	(3)	(1)
Ending balance at September 30, 2009	\$31	\$ 31



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Unrealized losses of \$3 million were included in earnings during the nine-month period relating to assets still held at September 30, 2009 and are recorded in depreciation and amortization.

Southern Company, Alabama Power, and Georgia Power continue to elect the option to fair value investment securities held in the nuclear decommissioning trust funds. For the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009, the increase in fair value of the funds, which includes reinvested interest and dividends, is recorded in the regulatory liability and was \$47 million and \$68 million, respectively, for Alabama Power, \$63 million and \$90 million, respectively, for Georgia Power, and \$110 million and \$158 million, respectively, for Southern Company.

As of September 30, 2009, other financial instruments for which the carrying amount did not equal fair value were as follows:

	<b>Carrying Amount</b>	<b>Fair Value</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
<b>Long-term debt:</b>		
Southern Company	\$18,322	\$19,184
Alabama Power	\$6,157	\$6,506
Georgia Power	\$7,475	\$7,754
Gulf Power	\$1,119	\$1,157
Mississippi Power	\$491	\$511
Southern Power	\$1,297	\$1,417

The fair values were based on either closing market prices (Level 1) or closing prices of comparable instruments (Level 2).

**(D) STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY****Earnings per Share**

For Southern Company, the only difference in computing basic and diluted earnings per share is attributable to exercised options and outstanding options under the stock option plan. See Note 8 to the financial statements of Southern Company in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for further information on the stock option plan. The effect of the stock options was determined using the treasury stock method. Shares used to compute diluted earnings per share are as follows (in thousands):

	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>	<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>	<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>
As reported shares	798,418	772,622	789,675	769,298
Effect of options	1,760	4,281	1,584	4,153
Diluted shares	800,178	776,903	791,259	773,451

The reduction in the effect of options for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 compared to the corresponding periods in 2008 is primarily due to the anti-dilutive nature of certain stock options outstanding that have exercise prices that exceed the average stock price of Southern Company shares in the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009. For the three months and nine months ended

September 30, 2009, there were 25.5 million and 37.7 million stock options, respectively, that were not included in the diluted earnings per share calculation because they were anti-dilutive. Assuming an average stock price of \$38.01 (the highest exercise price of the anti-dilutive options outstanding), the effect of options for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009 would have increased by 2.2 million and 3.3 million shares, respectively.



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Alabama Power	1,271	1,271	372		20	461	25	765
Georgia Power	1,715	1,703		40		595		1,120
Gulf Power	220	220	70		60	160		
Mississippi Power	149	149	15	44	19	130		
Southern Power	400	400						400
Other	55	55	55			55		
Total	\$4,760	\$4,748	\$512	\$84	\$99	\$1,401	\$25	\$3,235

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Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Gulf Power and Mississippi Power renewed \$40 million and \$15 million, respectively, of credit facilities that were set to expire in 2009 and extended the maturity dates to 2010. Also subsequent to September 30, 2009, Mississippi Power increased an existing credit facility by \$10 million. See Note 6 to the financial statements of Southern Company, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Power under "Bank Credit Arrangements" in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for additional information.

**Changes in Redeemable Preferred Stock of Subsidiaries**

The following table presents year-to-date changes in redeemable preferred stock of subsidiaries for Southern Company:

	<b>Redeemable Preferred Stock of Subsidiaries</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>
<b>Balance at December 31, 2008</b>	\$ 375
Issuance (Redemption) of preferred stock	
<b>Balance at September 30, 2009</b>	\$ 375
<b>Balance at December 31, 2007</b>	\$ 498
Issuance (Redemption) of preferred stock	(125)
Other	2
<b>Balance at September 30, 2008</b>	\$ 375

**Financial Instruments**

Southern Company, the traditional operating companies, and Southern Power are exposed to market risks, primarily commodity price risk and interest rate risk. To manage the volatility attributable to these exposures, each company nets its exposures, where possible, to take advantage of natural offsets and enters into various derivative transactions for the remaining exposures pursuant to the companies' policies in areas such as counterparty exposure and risk management practices. The registrants' policy is that derivatives are to be used primarily for hedging purposes and mandates strict adherence to all applicable risk management policies. Derivative positions are monitored using techniques including, but not limited to, market valuation, value at risk, stress testing, and sensitivity analysis. Derivative instruments are recognized at fair value in the statement of financial position as either assets or liabilities.

***Energy-Related Derivatives***

The traditional operating companies and Southern Power enter into energy-related derivatives to hedge exposures to electricity, gas, and other fuel price changes. However, due to cost-based rate regulations, the traditional operating companies have limited exposure to market volatility in commodity fuel prices and prices of electricity. Each of the traditional operating companies manages fuel-hedging programs, implemented per the guidelines of their respective state PSCs, through the use of financial derivative contracts. Southern Power also has limited exposure to market volatility in commodity fuel prices and prices of electricity because its long-term sales contracts shift substantially all fuel cost responsibility to the purchaser. However, Southern Power has

been and may continue to be exposed to market volatility in energy-related commodity prices as a result of sales of uncontracted generating capacity.

To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, the registrants enter into physical fixed-price or heat rate contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market.

To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in gas prices, the registrants may enter into fixed-price contracts for natural gas purchases; however, a significant portion of contracts are priced at market.

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Energy-related derivative contracts are accounted for in one of three methods:

*Regulatory Hedges* Energy-related derivative contracts which are designated as regulatory hedges relate primarily to the traditional operating companies' fuel hedging programs, where gains and losses are initially recorded as regulatory liabilities and assets, respectively, and then are included in fuel expense as the underlying fuel is used in operations and ultimately recovered through the respective fuel cost recovery clauses.

*Cash Flow Hedges* Gains and losses on energy-related derivatives designated as cash flow hedges, which are mainly used by Southern Power, to hedge anticipated purchases and sales are initially deferred in OCI before being recognized in income in the same period as the hedged transactions are reflected in earnings.

*Not Designated* Gains and losses on energy-related derivative contracts that are not designated or fail to qualify as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred.

Some energy-related derivative contracts require physical delivery as opposed to financial settlement, and this type of derivative is both common and prevalent within the electric industry. When an energy-related derivative contract is settled physically, any cumulative unrealized gain or loss is reversed and the contract price is recognized in the respective line item representing the actual price of the underlying goods being delivered. At September 30, 2009, the net volume of energy-related derivative contracts for power and natural gas positions for the registrants, together with the longest hedge date over which the respective entity is hedging its exposure to the variability in future cash flows for forecasted transactions and the longest date for derivatives not designated as hedges, were as follows:

<b>As of September 30, 2009:</b>	<b>Net Sold MWH</b>	<b>Power Longest Hedge Date</b>	<b>Longest Non-Hedge Date</b>	<b>Net Purchased mmBtu</b>	<b>Gas Longest Hedge Date</b>	<b>Longest Non-Hedge Date</b>
	<i>(in thousands)</i>			<i>(in millions)</i>		
Southern Company	3,643	2010	2010	154*	2013	2010
Alabama Power	563	2009	2009	40	2012	
Georgia Power	737	2009	2009	68	2013	
Gulf Power	117	2009	2009	13	2013	
Mississippi Power	117	2009	2009	26	2013	2009
Southern Power	2,109	2010	2010	7*	2012	2010

\* Includes location basis of 2 million mmBtu.

For cash flow hedges, the amounts expected to be reclassified from OCI to revenue and fuel expense for the next 12-month period ending September 30, 2010 are immaterial for all registrants.

**Interest Rate Derivatives**

Southern Company and certain subsidiaries also enter into interest rate derivatives, which include forward-starting interest rate swaps, to hedge exposure to changes in interest rates. Derivatives related to existing variable rate securities or forecasted transactions are accounted for as cash flow hedges. The derivatives employed as hedging instruments are structured to minimize ineffectiveness.

For cash flow hedges, the fair value gains or losses are recorded in OCI and are reclassified into earnings at the same time the hedged transactions affect earnings.





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At September 30, 2009, Southern Company had a total of \$1.2 billion notional amount of interest rate derivatives outstanding with net fair value losses of \$12 million as follows:

<b>Registrant</b>	<b>Notional Amount</b> <i>(in millions)</i>	<b>Variable Rate Received</b>	<b>Weighted Average Fixed Rate Paid</b>	<b>Hedge Maturity Date</b>	<b>Fair Value Gain (Loss) September 30, 2009</b> <i>(in millions)</i>
<b><i>Cash flow hedges of existing debt</i></b>					
Alabama Power	\$ 576	SIFMA* Index	2.69%	February 2010	\$ (6)
Georgia Power	301	SIFMA* Index	2.22%	December 2009	(1)
Georgia Power	300	1-month LIBOR	2.43%	April 2010	(4)
<b><i>Cash flow hedges on forecasted debt</i></b>					
Gulf Power	50	3-month LIBOR	3.97%	April 2020	(1)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,227</b>				<b>\$ (12)</b>

\* Securities  
Industry and  
Financial  
Markets  
Association  
Municipal Swap  
Index (SIFMA)

For the nine months ended September 30, 2009, Georgia Power had realized net losses of \$16 million (all of which were realized in the first quarter 2009) upon termination of certain interest rate derivatives at the same time it issued debt. The effective portion of these losses has been deferred in OCI and is being amortized to interest expense over the life of the original interest rate derivative, reflecting the period in which the forecasted hedged transaction affects earnings.

Subsequent to September 30, 2009, Georgia Power and Gulf Power entered into forward starting interest rate swaps to mitigate exposure to interest rate changes related to anticipated debt issuances. The notional amounts of the swaps totaled \$200 million and \$50 million, respectively, and the swaps have been designated as cash flow hedges.

The following table reflects the estimated pre-tax gains (losses) that will be reclassified from OCI to interest expense for the next 12-month period ending September 30, 2010, together with the longest date that total deferred gains and losses are expected to be amortized into earnings.

<b>Registrant</b>	<b>Estimated Gain (Loss) to be Reclassified for the 12 Months Ending</b>	<b>Total Deferred Gains (Losses)</b>

	<b>September 30, 2010</b>	<b>Amortized Through</b>
	<i>(in millions)</i>	
Southern Company	\$ (32)	2037
Alabama Power	(6)	2035
Georgia Power	(15)	2037
Gulf Power	(1)	2020
Southern Power	(10)	2016



## Liability Derivatives at September 30, 2009

Derivative Category and Balance Sheet Location	Southern Company	Alabama Power	Fair Value		Mississippi Power	Southern Power	
			Georgia Power	Gulf Power			
			<i>(in millions)</i>				
<b>Derivatives designated as hedging instruments for regulatory purposes</b>							
Energy-related derivatives							
Liabilities from risk management activities	\$ 130	\$ 42	\$ 54	\$ 13	\$ 21		
Other deferred credits and liabilities	48	9	17	3	19		
<b>Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments for regulatory purposes</b>	\$ 178	\$ 51	\$ 71	\$ 16	\$ 40	N/A	
<b>Derivatives designated as hedging instruments in cash flow and fair value hedges</b>							
Energy-related derivatives							
Liabilities from risk management activities	\$ 2	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$ 2	
Interest rate derivatives							
Liabilities from risk management activities	12	6	5	1			
<b>Total derivatives designated as hedging instruments in cash flow and fair value hedges</b>	\$ 14	\$ 6	\$ 5	\$ 1	\$	\$ 2	

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## Liability Derivatives at September 30, 2009

Derivative Category and Balance Sheet Location	Fair Value					
	Southern Company	Alabama Power	Georgia Power	Gulf Power	Mississippi Power	Southern Power
	<i>(in millions)</i>					
<b>Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments</b>						
Energy-related derivatives						
Liabilities from risk management activities	\$ 3	\$	\$	\$	\$ 1	\$ 2
<b>Total liability derivatives</b>	<b>\$ 195</b>	<b>\$ 57</b>	<b>\$ 76</b>	<b>\$ 17</b>	<b>\$ 41</b>	<b>\$ 4</b>

All derivative instruments are measured at fair value. See Note (C) herein for additional information.

At September 30, 2009, the pre-tax effect of unrealized derivative gains (losses) arising from energy-related derivative instruments designated as regulatory hedging instruments and deferred on the balance sheets were as follows:

Derivative Category and Balance Sheet Location	Regulatory Hedge Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized on the Balance Sheet				
	Southern Company	Alabama Power	Georgia Power	Gulf Power	Mississippi Power
	<i>(in millions)</i>				
Energy-related derivatives					
Other regulatory assets, current	\$(130)	\$(42)	\$(54)	\$(13)	\$(21)
Other regulatory assets, deferred	(48)	(9)	(17)	(3)	(19)
Other regulatory liabilities, current	5	2	2	1	
Other regulatory liabilities, deferred	6	2	3		1
<b>Total energy-related derivative gains (losses)</b>	<b>\$(167)</b>	<b>\$(47)</b>	<b>\$(66)</b>	<b>\$(15)</b>	<b>\$(39)</b>

For the three months ended September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the pre-tax effect of energy-related derivatives and interest rate derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments on the statements of income were as follows:

Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI on Derivative (Effective Portion)		Gain (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion)	
	2009	2008	Statements of Income Location	Amount
	<i>(in millions)</i>			<i>(in millions)</i>
<b>Southern Company</b>				
Energy-related derivatives	<b>\$(1)</b>	\$32	Fuel	\$
Interest rate derivatives	<b>(3)</b>	(2)	Interest expense	<b>(12)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$(4)</b>	<b>\$30</b>		<b>\$(12)</b>
				<b>\$(4)</b>

**Alabama Power**

Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$	Fuel	\$	\$
Interest rate derivatives	(1)		Interest expense	(3)	
Total	\$ (1)	\$		\$ (3)	\$

**Georgia Power**

Interest rate derivatives total	\$ (1)	\$ (2)	Interest expense	\$ (6)	\$ (1)
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**Gulf Power**

Interest rate derivatives total	\$ (1)	\$	Interest expense	\$	\$ (1)
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**Mississippi Power**

Energy-related derivatives total	\$	\$ 4	Fuel	\$	\$
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**Southern Power**

Energy-related derivatives	\$ (1)	\$ 29	Fuel	\$	\$
Interest rate derivatives			Interest expense	(2)	(2)
Total	\$ (1)	\$ 29		\$ (2)	\$ (2)

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For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the pre-tax effect of energy-related derivatives and interest rate derivatives designated as cash flow hedging instruments on the statements of income were as follows:

Derivatives in Cash Flow Hedging Relationships	Gain (Loss) Recognized in OCI on Derivative (Effective Portion)		Gain (Loss) Reclassified from Accumulated OCI into Income (Effective Portion) Statements of Income Location	Amount	
	2009	2008		2009	2008
	<i>(in millions)</i>			<i>(in millions)</i>	
<b>Southern Company</b>					
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 8	Fuel	\$	\$
Interest rate derivatives	(6)	(7)	Interest expense	(34)	(15)
Total	\$(6)	\$ 1		\$(34)	\$(15)
<b>Alabama Power</b>					
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$(1)	Fuel	\$	\$
Interest rate derivatives	(5)	(2)	Interest expense	(9)	(2)
Total	\$(5)	\$(3)		\$( 9)	\$( 2)
<b>Georgia Power</b>					
Interest rate derivatives total	\$	\$(2)	Interest expense	\$(17)	\$( 3)
<b>Gulf Power</b>					
Interest rate derivatives total	\$(1)	\$(3)	Interest expense	\$( 1)	\$( 1)
<b>Mississippi Power</b>					
Energy-related derivatives total	\$	\$	Fuel	\$	\$
<b>Southern Power</b>					
Energy-related derivatives	\$	\$ 9	Fuel	\$	\$
Interest rate derivatives			Interest expense	(7)	(9)
Total	\$	\$ 9		\$( 7)	\$( 9)

There was no material ineffectiveness recorded in earnings for any registrant for any period presented. For the three months ended September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the pre-tax effect of energy-related derivatives not designated as hedging instruments on the statements of income were as follows:

**Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments**

	Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income Statements of Income Location	
	2009	2008
	Amount	

*(in millions)***Southern Company**

Energy-related derivatives	Wholesale revenues	\$ 4	\$ 44
	Fuel	(1)	(30)
	Purchased power	(1)	(6)
	Other income (expense), net		(1)
Total		\$ 2	\$ 7

**Mississippi Power**

Energy-related derivatives	Other income (expense), net	\$	\$ (1)
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**Southern Power**

Energy-related derivatives	Wholesale revenues	\$ 4	\$ 44
	Fuel	(1)	(30)
	Purchased power	(1)	(6)
Total		\$ 2	\$ 8



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For the nine months ended September 30, 2009 and September 30, 2008, the pre-tax effect of energy-related derivatives not designated as hedging instruments on the statements of income were as follows:

**Derivatives not Designated as Hedging Instruments**

	Unrealized Gain (Loss) Recognized in Income Statements of Income Location	Amount	
		2009	2008
		<i>(in millions)</i>	
<b>Southern Company</b>			
Energy-related derivatives	Wholesale revenues	\$ 9	\$ 10
	Fuel	(4)	(2)
	Purchased power	(4)	(9)
	Other income (expense), net		1
Total		\$ 1	\$
<b>Mississippi Power</b>			
Energy-related derivatives	Other income (expense), net	\$	\$ 1
<b>Southern Power</b>			
Energy-related derivatives	Wholesale revenues	\$ 9	\$ 10
	Fuel	(4)	(2)
	Purchased power	(4)	(9)
Total		\$ 1	\$ (1)

**Contingent Features**

The registrants do not have any credit arrangements that would require material changes in payment schedules or terminations as a result of a credit rating downgrade. There are certain derivatives that could require collateral, but not accelerated payment, in the event of various credit rating changes of certain Southern Company subsidiaries. At September 30, 2009, the fair value of derivative liabilities with contingent features, by registrant, is as follows:

	Southern Company	Alabama Power	Georgia Power	Gulf Power	Mississippi Power	Southern Power
	<i>(in millions)</i>					
Derivative liabilities	\$51	\$ 12	\$16	\$4	\$ 4	\$ 15

At September 30, 2009, the registrants had no collateral posted with their derivative counterparties; however, because of the joint and several liability features underlying these derivatives, the maximum potential collateral requirements arising from the credit-risk-related contingent features, at a rating below BBB- and/or Baa3, is \$51 million for each registrant.

Currently, each of the registrants has investment grade credit ratings from the major rating agencies with respect to debt, preferred securities, preferred stock, and/or preference stock.

Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. For the traditional operating companies and Southern Power, included in these amounts are certain agreements that could require collateral in the event that one or more Power Pool participants has a credit rating change to below investment grade.



**Table of Contents****NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: (Continued)****(F) RETIREMENT BENEFITS**

Southern Company has a defined benefit, trustee, pension plan covering substantially all employees. The plan is funded in accordance with requirements of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended (ERISA). No contributions to the plan are expected for the year ending December 31, 2009. Southern Company also provides certain defined benefit pension plans for a selected group of management and highly compensated employees. Benefits under these non-qualified pension plans are funded on a cash basis. In addition, Southern Company provides certain medical care and life insurance benefits for retired employees through other postretirement benefit plans. The traditional operating companies fund related trusts to the extent required by their respective regulatory commissions.

See Note 2 to the financial statements of Southern Company, Alabama Power, Georgia Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power in Item 8 of the Form 10-K. Components of the pension plans and postretirement plans net periodic costs for the three-month and nine-month periods ended September 30, 2009 and 2008 are as follows (in millions):

	<b>Southern Company</b>	<b>Alabama Power</b>	<b>Georgia Power</b>	<b>Gulf Power</b>	<b>Mississippi Power</b>
<b>PENSION PLANS</b>					
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>					
Service cost	\$ 36	\$ 8	\$ 12	\$ 2	\$ 2
Interest cost	96	24	37	4	4
Expected return on plan assets	(135)	(41)	(54)	(6)	(6)
Net amortization	11	3	4	1	1
Net cost (income)	\$ 8	\$ (6)	\$ (1)	\$ 1	\$ 1
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>					
Service cost	\$ 109	\$ 25	\$ 36	\$ 5	\$ 5
Interest cost	290	72	110	13	13
Expected return on plan assets	(406)	(123)	(162)	(18)	(16)
Net amortization	32	8	12	1	2
Net cost (income)	\$ 25	\$ (18)	\$ (4)	\$ 1	\$ 4
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>					
Service cost	\$ 36	\$ 9	\$ 12	\$ 2	\$ 2
Interest cost	87	21	33	4	4
Expected return on plan assets	(131)	(40)	(52)	(6)	(6)
Net amortization	12	4	5	1	1
Net cost (income)	\$ 4	\$ (6)	\$ (2)	\$	\$ 1
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>					

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Service cost	\$ 109	\$ 26	\$ 37	\$ 5	\$ 5
Interest cost	261	65	100	12	12
Expected return on plan assets	(394)	(120)	(158)	(18)	(16)
Net amortization	35	10	13	1	2
Net cost (income)	\$ 11	\$ (19)	\$ (8)	\$	\$ 3

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	<b>Southern Company</b>	<b>Alabama Power</b>	<b>Georgia Power</b>	<b>Gulf Power</b>	<b>Mississippi Power</b>
<b>POSTRETIREMENT PLANS</b>					
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>					
Service cost	\$ 7	\$ 2	\$ 2	\$	\$
Interest cost	28	7	13	1	1
Expected return on plan assets	(16)	(6)	(8)		
Net amortization	7	2	4		1
Net cost (income)	\$ 26	\$ 5	\$ 11	\$ 1	\$ 2
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009</b>					
Service cost	\$ 20	\$ 5	\$ 7	\$ 1	\$ 1
Interest cost	85	22	38	4	4
Expected return on plan assets	(46)	(18)	(23)	(1)	(1)
Net amortization	21	6	11		1
Net cost (income)	\$ 80	\$ 15	\$ 33	\$ 4	\$ 5
<b>Three Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>					
Service cost	\$ 7	\$ 1	\$ 3	\$	\$
Interest cost	28	7	12	1	1
Expected return on plan assets	(15)	(6)	(8)		
Net amortization	8	3	4		
Net cost (income)	\$ 28	\$ 5	\$ 11	\$ 1	\$ 1
<b>Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008</b>					
Service cost	\$ 21	\$ 5	\$ 8	\$ 1	\$ 1
Interest cost	83	22	37	3	4
Expected return on plan assets	(44)	(17)	(23)	(1)	(1)
Net amortization	23	7	12	1	
Net cost (income)	\$ 83	\$ 17	\$ 34	\$ 4	\$ 4

**(G) EFFECTIVE TAX RATE AND UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS****Effective Tax Rate**

Southern Company's effective tax rate was 36.5% for the nine months ended September 30, 2009, as compared to 34.3% for the same period in 2008. See Note 5 to the financial statements of each registrant in Item 8 of the Form 10-K for information on the effective income tax rate. Southern Company's effective tax rate increased for

the nine months ended September 30, 2009 primarily due to the \$202 million charge recorded for the MC Asset Recovery settlement. Southern Company is currently evaluating potential recovery of the settlement payment through various means. The degree to which any recovery is realized will determine, in part, the final income tax treatment of the settlement payment. The increase in Southern Company's effective tax rate was partially offset by the early termination of an international leveraged lease investment, which is not taxable. See Note (B) herein under "Mirant Matters" and "Income Tax Matters - Leveraged Leases" for further information regarding these matters.

**Table of Contents****NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: (Continued)****Unrecognized Tax Benefits**

Changes during 2009 for unrecognized tax benefits are as follows:

	<b>Southern Company</b>	<b>Alabama Power</b>	<b>Georgia Power</b>	<b>Gulf Power</b>	<b>Mississippi Power</b>	<b>Southern Power</b>
			<i>(in millions)</i>			
Unrecognized tax benefits as of December 31, 2008	\$ 146.4	\$ 3.0	\$ 137.1	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.8	\$ 0.5
Tax positions from current periods	39.5	1.6	32.4	0.2	1.0	0.4
Tax positions from prior periods	4.7	0.3	2.8	0.4		0.6
Reductions due to settlements						
Reductions due to expired statute of limitations	(1.0)					
Balance as of September 30, 2009	\$ 189.6	\$ 4.9	\$ 172.3	\$ 0.9	\$ 2.8	\$ 1.5

The tax positions increase from the current periods relates primarily to the Georgia state tax credits and other miscellaneous uncertain tax positions. See Note (B) herein under **Income Tax Matters - Georgia State Income Tax Credits** for additional information. The tax positions increase from the prior periods relates to the production activities deduction tax position.

Impact on Southern Company's effective tax rate, if recognized, is as follows:

	<b>Georgia Power</b>	<b>Other Registrants</b>	<b>As of September 30, 2009</b>	<b>As of December 31, 2008</b>	<b>Change</b>
			<i>(in millions)</i>		
Tax positions impacting the effective tax rate	\$ 169.6	\$ 17.3	\$ 186.9	\$ 143.5	\$ 43.4
Tax positions not impacting the effective tax rate	2.7		2.7	2.9	(0.2)
Balance of unrecognized tax benefits	\$ 172.3	\$ 17.3	\$ 189.6	\$ 146.4	\$ 43.2

The change in the tax positions impacting the effective tax rate increase relates primarily to the Georgia state tax credits and the production activities deduction.

Accrued interest for unrecognized tax benefits:

Interest accrued as of December 31, 2008	<i>(in millions)</i> \$ 14.8
Interest accrued year-to-date	6.4
Interest reduction due to expired statute of limitations	(1.1)

Balance as of September 30, 2009

\$ 20.1

It is reasonably possible that the amount of the unrecognized benefit with respect to a majority of Southern Company's and Georgia Power's unrecognized tax positions will significantly increase or decrease within the next 12 months. The conclusion or settlement of the Georgia state tax credits litigation would substantially reduce the balances. The conclusion or settlement of federal or state audits could also impact the balances significantly. At this time, an estimate of the range of reasonably possible outcomes cannot be determined.

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**Table of Contents****NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: (Continued)****(H) ACQUISITIONS AND DIVESTITURES****Nacogdoches Power LLC Acquisition**

On October 8, 2009, Southern Power acquired all of the outstanding membership interests of Nacogdoches Power LLC (Nacogdoches) from American Renewables LLC, the original developer of the project. Nacogdoches plans to construct a biomass generating plant in Sacul, Texas with an estimated capacity of 100 MWs. The generating plant will be fueled from wood waste. Construction is expected to commence in late 2009 and the plant is expected to begin commercial operation in 2012. The total estimated cost of the project is expected to be between \$475 million and \$500 million. The output of the plant is contracted under a PPA with Austin Energy that begins in 2012 and expires in 2032.

Southern Power's acquisition of the interests in Nacogdoches was pursuant to a Membership Interests Purchase Agreement dated September 11, 2009 for cash consideration of approximately \$50.3 million, which includes advance construction payments. The Nacogdoches acquisition is in accordance with Southern Power's overall growth strategy. Post-closing working capital adjustments have not been completed. The purchase price allocation and fair value determinations have not been completed and thus the information related to the fair value of each major class of consideration and goodwill, if any, is not provided herein. There are no contingent consideration arrangements and no significant assets or liabilities arising from contingencies.

**West Georgia Generating Company, LLC Acquisition and DeSoto County Generating Company, LLC Divestiture**

On October 21, 2009, Southern Power entered into an agreement (the Agreement) to acquire all of the outstanding membership interests of West Georgia Generating Company, LLC (West Georgia) from Broadway Gen Funding, LLC (Broadway), an affiliate of LS Power. West Georgia owns a dual-fueled generating plant near Thomaston, Georgia with installed capacity of approximately 600 MWs. The plant consists of four combustion turbine natural gas generating units with oil back-up. The output from two units is contracted under PPAs with MEAG Power and the Georgia Energy Cooperative (GEC). The MEAG Power agreement began in 2009 and expires in 2029. The GEC agreement begins in 2010 and expires in 2030.

The Agreement provides for the transfer of all the outstanding membership interests of DeSoto County Generating Company, LLC (DeSoto) from Southern Power to Broadway and the payment by Southern Power of approximately \$140 million in cash consideration. The carrying amounts of the major classes of assets and liabilities for DeSoto are as follows:

**As of September 30, 2009**

	<i>(in millions)</i>
Total current assets	\$ 5.5
Total property, plant, and equipment	72.1
Total deferred charges and other assets	0.6
Total current liabilities	1.1
Total membership interests	77.1

The Agreement is subject to certain regulatory approvals, including the approval of the FERC, as well as review by the Federal Trade Commission under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act. This potential acquisition is in accordance with Southern Power's overall growth strategy. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

**Table of Contents****NOTES TO THE CONDENSED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: (Continued)****(I) SEGMENT AND RELATED INFORMATION**

Southern Company's reportable business segments are the sale of electricity in the Southeast by the four traditional operating companies and Southern Power. Southern Power's revenues from sales to the traditional operating companies were \$148 million and \$421 million for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2009, respectively, and \$217 million and \$494 million for the three months and nine months ended September 30, 2008, respectively. The All Other column includes parent Southern Company, which does not allocate operating expenses to business segments. Also, this category includes segments below the quantitative threshold for separate disclosure. These segments include investments in telecommunications, energy-related services, and leveraged lease projects. All other intersegment revenues are not material. Financial data for business segments and products and services are as follows:

	<b>Electric Utilities</b>				<b>All Other</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Consolidated</b>
	<b>Traditional Operating Companies</b>	<b>Southern Power</b>	<b>Eliminations</b>	<b>Total</b>			
	<i>(in millions)</i>						
Three Months Ended September 30, 2009:							
Operating revenues	\$ 4,542	\$ 283	\$ (168)	\$ 4,657	\$ 43	\$ (18)	\$ 4,682
Segment net income (loss)*	726	67		793	(2)	(1)	790
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009:							
Operating revenues	\$11,880	\$ 745	\$ (470)	\$12,155	\$ 130	\$ (52)	\$12,233
Segment net income (loss)*	1,449	126		1,575	(182)	1	1,394
Total assets at September 30, 2009	\$47,401	\$2,918	\$ (185)	\$50,134	\$1,061	\$ (671)	\$50,524
Three Months Ended September 30, 2008:							
Operating revenues	\$ 5,156	\$ 516	\$ (276)	\$ 5,396	\$ 46	\$ (15)	\$ 5,427
Segment net income (loss)*	727	60		787	(7)		780
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008:							
Operating revenues	\$12,849	\$1,048	\$ (669)	\$13,228	\$ 141	\$ (44)	\$13,325
Segment net income (loss)*	1,520	124		1,644	(88)		1,556
Total assets at December 31, 2008	\$44,794	\$2,813	\$ (139)	\$47,468	\$1,407	\$ (528)	\$48,347

\* After dividends on preferred and preference stock of subsidiaries.

**Products and Services**

Period	<b>Electric Utilities Revenues</b>			<b>Total</b>
	<b>Retail</b>	<b>Wholesale</b>	<b>Other</b>	
	<i>(in millions)</i>			
Three Months Ended September 30, 2009	\$ 3,997	\$ 519	\$ 141	\$ 4,657
Three Months Ended September 30, 2008	4,479	775	142	5,396

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Nine Months Ended September 30, 2009	\$ 10,355	\$ 1,408	\$ 392	\$ 12,155
Nine Months Ended September 30, 2008	10,934	1,880	414	13,228

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**PART II OTHER INFORMATION**

**Item 1. Legal Proceedings.**

See the Notes to the Condensed Financial Statements herein for information regarding certain legal and administrative proceedings in which the registrants are involved.

**Item 1A. Risk Factors.**

See RISK FACTORS in Item 1A of the Form 10-K for a discussion of the risk factors of the registrants. There have been no material changes to these risk factors from those previously disclosed in the Form 10-K.

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**Item 6. Exhibits.**

**(4) Instruments Describing Rights of Security Holders, Including Indentures**

**Southern Company**

- (a)1 - Fifth Supplemental Indenture to the Senior Note Indenture dated as of October 22, 2009, providing for the issuance of the Series 2009B Floating Rate Senior Notes due October 21, 2011. (Designated in Form 8-K dated October 19, 2009, File No. 1-3526, as Exhibit 4.2.)

**(24) Power of Attorney and Resolutions**

**Southern Company**

- (a)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, File No. 1-3526 as Exhibit 24(a).)

**Alabama Power**

- (b)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2009, File No. 1-3164 as Exhibit 24(b)1.)

**Georgia Power**

- (c)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, File No. 1-6468 as Exhibit 24(c).)
- (c)2 - Power of Attorney for Ronnie R. Labrato. (Designated in the Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2009, File No. 1-6468 as Exhibit 24(c)2.)

**Gulf Power**

- (d)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, File No. 0-2429 as Exhibit 24(d).)

**Mississippi Power**

- (e)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, File No. 001-11229 as Exhibit 24(e).)

**Southern Power**

- (f)1 - Power of Attorney and resolution. (Designated in the Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2008, File No. 333-98553 as Exhibit 24(f).)

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**(31) Section 302 Certifications**

**Southern Company**

- (a)1 - Certificate of Southern Company's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (a)2 - Certificate of Southern Company's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Alabama Power**

- (b)1 - Certificate of Alabama Power's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (b)2 - Certificate of Alabama Power's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Georgia Power**

- (c)1 - Certificate of Georgia Power's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (c)2 - Certificate of Georgia Power's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Gulf Power**

- (d)1 - Certificate of Gulf Power's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (d)2 - Certificate of Gulf Power's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Mississippi Power**

- (e)1 - Certificate of Mississippi Power's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (e)2 - Certificate of Mississippi Power's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Southern Power**

- (f)1 - Certificate of Southern Power's Chief Executive Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- (f)2 -

Certificate of Southern Power's Chief Financial Officer required by Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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**(32) Section 906 Certifications**

**Southern Company**

- (a) - Certificate of Southern Company's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Alabama Power**

- (b) - Certificate of Alabama Power's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Georgia Power**

- (c) - Certificate of Georgia Power's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Gulf Power**

- (d) - Certificate of Gulf Power's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Mississippi Power**

- (e) - Certificate of Mississippi Power's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**Southern Power**

- (f) - Certificate of Southern Power's Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer required by Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

**(101) XBRL-Related Documents**

**Southern Company**

INS	XBRL Instance Document
SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema Document
CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Calculation Linkbase Document
DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document
LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Label Linkbase Document
PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Presentation Linkbase Document



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**THE SOUTHERN COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

THE SOUTHERN COMPANY

By *David M. Ratcliffe*  
*Chairman, President, and Chief Executive*  
*Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *W. Paul Bowers*  
*Executive Vice President and Chief*  
*Financial Officer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ Melissa K. Caen*  
  
*(Melissa K. Caen, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009

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**ALABAMA POWER COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

ALABAMA POWER COMPANY

By *Charles D. McCrary*  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *Art P. Beattie*  
*Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ Melissa K. Caen*  
  
*(Melissa K. Caen, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009

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**GEORGIA POWER COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

GEORGIA POWER COMPANY

By *Michael D. Garrett*  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *Ronnie R. Labrato*  
*Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ W. Paul Bowers*  
  
*(W. Paul Bowers, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009

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**GULF POWER COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

**GULF POWER COMPANY**

By *Susan N. Story*  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *Philip C. Raymond*  
*Vice President and Chief Financial Officer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ W. Paul Bowers*  
  
*(W. Paul Bowers, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009

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**MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

MISSISSIPPI POWER COMPANY

By *Anthony J. Topazi*  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *Frances Turnage*  
*Vice President, Treasurer, and Chief Financial Officer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ W. Paul Bowers*  
  
*(W. Paul Bowers, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009

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**SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY  
SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized. The signature of the undersigned company shall be deemed to relate only to matters having reference to such company and any subsidiaries thereof.

SOUTHERN POWER COMPANY

By *Ronnie L. Bates*  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*(Principal Executive Officer)*

By *Michael W. Southern*  
*Senior Vice President, Treasurer, and Chief Financial Officer*  
*(Principal Financial Officer)*

By */s/ Laura I. Patterson*  
  
*(Laura I. Patterson, Attorney-in-fact)*

Date: November 6, 2009