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January 31, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

Three Year period ending 2005

FORM U-12(I)-B (THREE YEAR STATEMENT)

1. Name and business address of person filing statement.

Balch & Bingham LLP  
1710 Sixth Avenue North  
Birmingham, Alabama 35203-2015

Balch & Bingham LLP  
1901 Sixth Avenue North  
Birmingham, Alabama 35203-2628

Balch & Bingham LLP  
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Huntsville, Alabama 35801-4901

Balch & Bingham LLP  
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Montgomery, Alabama 36104-3515

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Washington, DC 20004-2404

Balch & Bingham LLP  
1310 Twenty Fifth Avenue  
Gulfport, Mississippi

Balch & Bingham LLP  
401 East Capitol Street  
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

2. Names and business addresses of any persons through whom the undersigned proposes to act in matters included within the exemption provided by paragraph (b) of Rule U-71.

Any partner, attorney or employee of Balch & Bingham LLP

3. Registered holding companies and subsidiary companies by which the undersigned is regularly employed or retained.

Southern Company and its subsidiaries  
FirstEnergy Corporation and its subsidiaries  
PEPCO Holdings, Inc. and its subsidiaries

4. Position or relationship in which the undersigned is employed or retained by each of the companies named in item 3, and brief description of nature of services to be rendered in each such position or relationship.

This Firm is retained generally to provide legal services to the entities named in Section 3 above

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5. (a) Compensation received during the prior reporting period and estimated to be received over the next two calendar years by the undersigned or others, directly or indirectly, for services rendered by the undersigned, from each of the companies designed in item 3. (Use column (a) as supplementary statement only).

Balch & Bingham LLP (See Attachment)

(b) Basis for compensation if other than salary. N/A

6. (TO BE ANSWERED IN SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT ONLY.) Expenses incurred by the undersigned or any person named in Item 2 above, during the calendar year in connection with the activities described in Item 4, above, and the source or sources of reimbursement for same.

(a) Total amount of routine expenses charged to client: \$43,314.09

(b) Itemized list of all other expenses: None

Date: January 28, 2003

(Signed) /s/ Balch & Bingham LLP

By /s/Walter M. Beale, Jr.  
Walter M. Beale, Jr.  
Partner

Item. 5(a) Salary or Other Compensations

Received during prior 3-year reporting period (a) -----	To be received (b) -----	Person or Compa from whom recei or to be recei -----
\$26,024,997.45	To be included in supplementary statement	Alabama Power Com
15,362,616.84	To be included in supplementary statement	Southern Company
2,438,820.40	To be included in supplementary statement	Southern Nuclear
868,441.96	To be included in supplementary statement	FirstEnergy Corpo
168,931.74	To be included in supplementary statement	Southern Communio
3,438,802.76	To be included in supplementary statement	Mississippi Power
40,949.44	To be included in supplementary statement	Gulf Power Compan
71,052.55	To be included in supplementary statement	Southern Electric
189,940.72	To be included in supplementary statement	Potomac Electric

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To be included in supplementary statement

Southern Company