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## **SUMMARY**

			Percent
	2007	2006	Change
Financial Highlights (in millions):			<u>.                                      </u>
Operating revenues	\$7,572	\$7,246	4.5
Operating expenses	\$6,055	\$5,736	5.6
Net income after dividends on preferred and			
preference stock	\$836	\$787	6.2
Operating Data:			
Kilowatt-hour sales (in millions):			
Retail	86,084	84,556	1.8
Sales for resale - non-affiliates	10,578	10,685	(1.0)
Sales for resale - affiliates	5,192	5,464	(5.0)
Total	101,854	100,705	1.1
Customers served at year-end (in thousands)	2,333	2,306	1.2
Peak-hour demand (in megawatts)	17,974	17,159	4.7
Capitalization Ratios (percent):			
Common stock equity	50.9	53.1	
Preferred and preference stock	2.1	0.4	
Long-term debt (excluding amounts due within one year)	47.0	46.5	
Return on Average Common Equity (percent)	13.50	13.80	
Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges (times)	4.37	4.72	

## LETTER TO INVESTORS Georgia Power 2007 Annual Report

Georgia Power achieved targeted financial results in 2007, as well as operational excellence, while taking measures to deal with the state's record drought and the nation's economic downturn. The company continued to improve its safety goals, reporting a much-improved Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) recordable incident rate over 2006.

Despite tough economic conditions nationally, Georgia remains one of the fastest-growing states in the country. With job growth and low housing costs, businesses and individuals were drawn to Georgia, increasing the number of customers Georgia Power serves to 2.3 million in 2007, a 1.2 percent increase from the previous year. Our retail sales of electricity climbed 1.8 percent in 2007.

The Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC) approved a three-year rate plan that took effect January 1, 2008. The plan provides cost recovery for the company's environmental program, as well as continued investment in electric infrastructure to meet the state's growing customer demand, while keeping our rates well below the national average.

To meet federal and state standards for emissions of nitrogen oxide ( $NO_x$ ), sulfur dioxide ( $SO_2$ ), mercury, and particulate matter, we anticipate investing \$1.3 billion during the next three years. As a result, by 2015 we plan to reduce  $NO_x$  emissions by 85 percent and  $SO_2$  emissions by 95 percent from 1990 levels and plan to achieve significant reductions in mercury and particulate matter emissions.

In addition to environmental controls, the rate plan allows us to address infrastructure needed to keep up with increasing customer demand for electricity. Today, the average residential customer uses 15 percent more electricity than customers did 10 years ago. Plus, we're serving 112,000 more customers than we did just three years ago.

In total, we need to invest \$5.8 billion during the next three years to keep up with customer needs and environmental controls. This includes \$1.6 billion for new generating capacity and investment in existing plants; \$2.1 billion for power lines, new metering equipment, and substations; \$1.3 billion for additional environmental controls; and \$800 million for nuclear fuel and other capital improvements.

In reviewing our financial results, Georgia Power's 2007 earnings totaled \$836 million, a \$49 million, or 6.2 percent increase from 2006. Operating revenues were \$7.6 billion. We earned a 13.5 percent total company return on average common equity during 2007. Georgia Power had net plant in service of \$13.3 billion at the end of 2007, with total assets of \$20.8 billion.

Along with financial success, we achieved exceptional operational performance in 2007. During an August heat wave, which was compounded by the on-going drought, our generating plants set several record peaks, including one each day from August 6 to August 9. For several days, temperatures registered more than 100 degrees, and on August 9, we set a record peak of 17,974 megawatts.

Continuing to look at operations, we began taking measures last year to deal with the deepening drought, which was the result of one of the driest years in the state's history. The hydro plants were the most affected, generating only half of their expected energy budget in 2007.

In an on-going effort to deal with the drought, Georgia Power enacted a number of water-saving measures, and urged all employees and the public to do everything they could to help conserve this precious resource. We will continue these efforts in 2008 and beyond.

Also last year, Georgia Power reported a 25 percent reduction in the OSHA recordable incident rate over the previous year that was attributed to more employee acceptance of our Target Zero concept.

With Target Zero, we're constantly communicating our core safety belief that safety takes precedence over all other requirements. Our first priority is to ensure the safety of our employees and the general public.

Here are highlights of several additional accomplishments in 2007:

- We opened a new transmission control center in the Georgia Power headquarters in Atlanta. It also is contracted to be the system operator for Georgia Transmission Corporation, Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia, and Dalton Utilities transmission facilities.
- The PSC approved an Integrated Resource Plan that includes our plans to replace coalfired generating units at Plant McDonough in metro Atlanta with natural gas units and also pilot programs for new demand-side management and energy efficiency and establishes new nuclear units as a preferred option to meet demand in 2016-2017.
- The company received high praise from President Bush, who toured Americus a few days after a tornado tore through the area last March, damaging homes and businesses and temporarily knocking out power for residents.

We stayed busy last year and were successful in so many ways – but that's business as usual for our employees. It's clear to me that the work our employees do every day and their commitment to the company are what make us successful, and it's because of their talents that we expect to remain successful.

Sincerely,

Michael D. Garrett March 31, 2008

## MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING Georgia Power Company 2007 Annual Report

The management of Georgia Power Company (the "Company") is responsible for establishing and maintaining an adequate system of internal control over financial reporting as required by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(f). A control system can provide only reasonable, not absolute, assurance that the objectives of the control system are met.

Under management's supervision, an evaluation of the design and effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting was conducted based on the framework in *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. Based on this evaluation, management concluded that the Company's internal control over financial reporting was effective as of December 31, 2007.

This Annual Report does not include an attestation report of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by the Company's independent registered public accounting firm pursuant to temporary rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit the Company to provide only management's report in this Annual Report.

Michael D. Garrett

President and Chief Executive Officer

Cliff S. Thrasher

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, and Treasurer

February 25, 2008

#### REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

### Georgia Power Company

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets and statements of capitalization of Georgia Power Company (the "Company") (a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern Company) as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the related statements of income. comprehensive income, common stockholder's equity, and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31. 2007. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements (pages 28 to 65) present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Georgia Power Company at December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2007, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

As discussed in Note 5 to the financial statements, in 2007 the Company changed its method of accounting for uncertainty in income taxes. As discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, in 2006 the Company changed its method of accounting for the funded status of defined benefit pension and other postretirement plans.

Atlanta, Georgia

February 25, 2008

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## MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS Georgia Power Company 2007 Annual Report

#### **OVERVIEW**

#### **Business Activities**

Georgia Power Company (the Company) 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 the Company's business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability to maintain a stable regulatory environment, to achieve energy sales growth, and to effectively manage and secure timely recovery of rising costs. These costs include those related to growing demand, increasingly stringent environmental standards, and fuel prices. In December 2007, the Company completed a major retail rate proceeding (2007 Retail Rate Plan) that should provide earnings stability over the term of the 2007 Retail Rate Plan. This regulatory action also enables the recovery of substantial capital investments to facilitate the continued reliability of the transmission and distribution networks, continued generation and other investments as well as the recovery of increased operating costs. The 2007 Retail Rate Plan includes a tariff specifically for the recovery of costs related to environmental controls mandated by state and federal regulations. Appropriately balancing required costs and capital expenditures with customer prices will continue to challenge the Company for the foreseeable future. The Company 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. The Company also received regulatory orders to increase its fuel cost recovery rate effective June 1, 2005, July 1, 2006, and March 1, 2007. The Company is required to file its next fuel cost recovery case by March 1, 2008.

### **Key Performance Indicators**

In striving to maximize shareholder value while providing cost-effective energy to more than two million customers, the Company continues to focus on several key indicators. These indicators include customer satisfaction, plant availability, system reliability, and net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock. The Company's financial success is directly tied to the satisfaction of its customers. Key elements of ensuring customer satisfaction include outstanding service, high reliability, and competitive prices. Management uses customer satisfaction surveys and reliability indicators to evaluate the Company's results.

Peak season equivalent forced outage rate (Peak Season EFOR) is an indicator of fossil/hydro plant availability and efficient generation fleet operations during the months when generation needs are greatest. The rate is calculated by dividing the number of hours of forced outages by total generation hours. The 2007 fossil/hydro Peak Season EFOR of 2.23% was better than target. The nuclear generating fleet also uses Peak Season EFOR as an indicator of availability and efficient generation fleet operations during the peak season. The 2007 nuclear Peak Season EFOR of 1.23% was also better than target. Transmission and distribution system reliability performance is measured by the frequency and duration of outages. Performance targets for reliability are set internally based on historical performance, expected weather conditions, and expected capital expenditures. The 2007 performance was better than target for these reliability measures. Net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock is the primary component of the Company's contribution to Southern Company's earnings per share goal.

The Company's 2007 results compared to its targets for some of these key indicators are reflected in the following chart:

Key Performance Indicator	2007 Target Performance	2007 Actual Performance
Customer Satisfaction	Top quartile in customer surveys	Top quartile in customer surveys
Peak Season EFOR - fossil/hydro	2.75% or less	2.23%
Peak Season EFOR – nuclear	2.00% or less	1.23%
Net Income	\$835 million	\$836 million

See RESULTS OF OPERATIONS herein for additional information on the Company's financial performance. The financial performance achieved in 2007 reflects the continued emphasis that management places on these indicators, as well as the commitment shown by employees in achieving or exceeding management's expectations.

#### Earnings

The Company's 2007 net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock totaled \$836 million representing a \$48.9 million, or 6.2%, increase over 2006. Operating income increased slightly in 2007 primarily due to increased operating revenues from transmission and outdoor lighting and decreased property taxes. Net income increased primarily due to higher allowance for equity funds used during construction and lower income tax expenses resulting from the Company's donation of Tallulah Gorge to the State of Georgia. This net income increase was partially offset by higher non-fuel operating expenses and increased financing costs. The Company's 2006 earnings totaled \$787 million representing a \$42.9 million, or 5.8%, increase over 2005. Operating income increased in 2006 due to higher base retail revenues and wholesale non-fuel revenues, partially offset by higher non-fuel operating expenses. The Company's 2005 earnings totaled \$744 million representing a \$61.6 million, or 9.0%, increase over 2004. Operating income increased in 2005 due to higher base retail revenues resulting from retail rate increases and favorable weather conditions, partially offset by an increase in non-fuel operating expenses.

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

A condensed income statement for the Company follows:

	Amount Increase (Decrease)  Arount from Prior Year			•
	2007	2007	2006	2005
		(in millio	ons)	
Operating revenues	\$ 7,572	\$ 326	\$ 170	\$1,348
Fuel	2,641	408	296	649
Purchased power	1,050	(95)	(171)	215
Other operations and maintenance	1,562	1	(11)	86
Depreciation and amortization	511	13	(28)	230
Taxes other than income taxes	291	(8)	23	33
Total operating expenses	6,055	319	109	1,213
Operating income	1,517	7	61	135
Total other income and (expense)	(257)	18	(22)	(19)
Income taxes	418	(25)	(5)	54
Net income	842	50	44	62
Dividends on preferred and preference stock	6	1	1	1
Net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock	\$ 836	\$ 49	\$ 43	\$ 61

### **Operating Revenues**

Operating revenues in 2007, 2006, and 2005, and the percent of change from the prior year were as follows:

	Amount		
	2007	2006	2005
		(in millions)	
Retail - prior year	\$ 6,205.6	\$ 6,064.4	\$ 5,118.8
Estimated change in -			
Rates and pricing	(66.2)	(76.8)	270.7
Sales growth	46.5	76.6	67.4
Weather	17.7	7.5	21.7
Fuel cost recovery	294.4	133.9	585.8
Retail – current year	6,498.0	6,205.6	6,064.4
Wholesale revenues –			
Non-affiliates	537.9	551.7	524.8
Affiliates	277.9	252.6	275.5
Total wholesale revenues	815.8	804.3	800.3
Other operating revenues	257.9	235.7	211.1
Total operating revenues	\$ 7,571.7	\$ 7,245.6	\$ 7,075.8
Percent change	4.5%	2.4%	23.5%

Retail base revenues were \$3.8 billion in 2007. There was not a material change in total retail base revenues compared to 2006, although industrial base revenues decreased \$56.5 million, or 8.5%, primarily due to lower sales and a lower contribution from market-driven rates for large commercial and industrial customers. This decrease was partially offset by a \$31.8 million, or 2.1%, increase in residential base revenues as well as a \$22.6 million, or 1.5%, increase in commercial base revenues primarily due to higher sales from favorable weather and customer growth of 1.2%. Retail base revenues of \$3.8 billion in 2006 increased \$7 million, or 0.2%, from 2005 primarily due to customer growth of 1.9% and more favorable weather, partially offset by lower contributions from market-driven rates to large commercial and industrial customers. Retail base revenues of \$3.8 billion in 2005 increased by \$360 million, or 10.6%, from 2004 primarily due to the retail rate increases effective January 1, 2005 and June 1, 2005, sustained economic strength, customer growth, more favorable weather, and generally higher prices to large business customers.

Electric rates include provisions to adjust billings for fluctuations in fuel costs, including the energy component of purchased power costs. Under these fuel cost recovery provisions, fuel revenues generally equal fuel expenses, including the fuel component of purchased power, and do not affect net income. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL – "PSC Matters – Fuel Cost Recovery" herein for additional information.

Wholesale revenues from sales to non-affiliated utilities were:

	2007	2006	2005
	·-·	(in millions	)
Unit power sales –			
Capacity	\$ 33	\$ 33	\$ 33
Energy	33	38	32
Total	66	71	65
Other power sales –			
Capacity and other	158	165	155
Energy	314	316	305
Total	472	481	460
Total non-affiliated	\$538	\$552	\$ 525

Revenues from unit power sales have remained relatively constant in all periods presented. Revenues from other non-affiliated sales decreased \$9.6 million, or 2.0%, in 2007, and increased \$21.0 million, or 4.6%, and \$273.2 million, or 146.2%, in 2006 and 2005, respectively. The decrease in 2007 was primarily due to a decrease in revenues from large territorial contracts resulting from lower emissions allowance prices. The increase in 2006 was due to a 0.6% increase in the demand for kilowatt-hour (KWH) energy sales due to a new contract with an electrical membership corporation (EMC) that went into effect in April 2006. The increase in 2005 was primarily due to contracts with 30 EMCs that went into effect in January 2005 which increased the demand for energy.

Wholesale revenues from sales to affiliated companies within the Southern Company system will vary from year to year depending on demand and the availability and cost of generating resources at each company. These affiliated sales and purchases are made in accordance with the Intercompany Interchange Contract (IIC), as approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). In 2007, KWH energy sales to affiliates decreased 5.0% while revenues from sales to affiliates increased 10.0%. This was primarily due to the increased cost of fuel and other marginal generation costs. In 2006 and 2005, KWH energy sales to affiliates increased 8.5% and 2.2%, respectively, due to higher demand. However, revenues from these sales decreased by 8.3% in 2006 due to reduced cost per KWH delivered while revenues from these sales increased 59.8% in 2005 due to higher fuel prices. These transactions do not have a significant impact on earnings since this energy is generally sold at marginal cost.

Other operating revenues increased \$22.2 million, or 9.4%, in 2007 primarily due to an \$11.6 million increase in transmission revenues due to the increased usage of the Company's transmission system by non-affiliated companies, a \$7.9 million increase in revenues from outdoor lighting activities due to a 10% increase in the number of lighting customers, and a \$4.0 million increase from customer fees. Other operating revenues increased \$24.6 million, or 11.6%, in 2006 primarily due to increased revenues of \$14.1 million related to work performed for the other owners of the integrated transmission system (ITS) in the State of Georgia, higher customer fees of \$4.6 million, and higher outdoor lighting revenues of \$6.1 million. Other operating revenues increased \$26.1 million, or 14.1%, in 2005 primarily due to higher transmission revenues of \$16 million related to work performed for the other owners of the ITS, higher revenues under the open access tariff agreement, higher outdoor lighting revenues of \$5.4 million, and higher customer fees that went into effect in 2005 of \$5.9 million.

#### **Energy Sales**

Changes in revenues are influenced heavily by the change in volume of energy sold from year to year. KWH sales for 2007 and the percent change by year follow:

	KWH	Pe	rcent Chan	ıge
	2007	2007	2006	2005
	(in billions)			
Residential	26.8	2.4%	2.7%	2.7%
Commercial	33.1	2.9	2.5	6.0
Industrial	25.5	(0.3)	(1.0)	(5.0)
Other	0.7	5.6	(10.5)	(1.0)
Total retail	86.1	1.8	1.4	1.3
Wholesale				
Non-affiliates	10.6	(1.0)	0.9	95.0
Affiliates	5.2	(5.0)	8.5	2.2
Total wholesale	15.8	(2.3)	3.4	50.9
Total energy sales	101.9	1.1%	1.7%	6.9%

Residential KWH sales increased 2.4% in 2007 over 2006 due to favorable weather and a 1.3% increase in residential customers. Commercial KWH sales increased 2.9% in 2007 over 2006 primarily due to favorable weather and a 0.3% increase in commercial customers. Industrial KWH sales decreased 0.3% primarily due to reduced demand and closures within the textile industry; however, this was partially offset by a 2.9% increase in the number of industrial customers.

Residential KWH sales increased 2.7% in 2006 over 2005 due to customer growth of 1.9% and more favorable weather. Commercial KWH sales increased 2.5% in 2006 over 2005 due to customer growth of 2.0% and a reclassification of customers from industrial to

commercial to be consistent with the rate structure approved by the Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC). Industrial KWH sales decreased 1.0% due to a 3.4% decrease in the number of customers as a result of this reclassification.

Residential KWH sales increased 2.7% in 2005 over 2004 due to more favorable weather, customer growth of 1.8%, and a 0.9% increase in the average energy consumption per customer. Commercial KWH sales increased 6.0% in 2005 when compared to 2004 due to more favorable weather, sustained economic strength, customer growth of 1.9%, and a reclassification of customers from industrial to commercial to be consistent with the rate structure approved by the Georgia PSC. Industrial KWH sales decreased 5.0% primarily due to this reclassification of customers.

### Fuel and Purchased Power Expenses

Fuel costs constitute the single largest expense for the Company. The mix of fuel sources for generation of electricity is determined primarily by demand, the unit cost of fuel consumed, and the availability of generating units. Additionally, the Company purchases a portion of its electricity needs from the wholesale market. Details of the Company's electricity generated and purchased were as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
Total generation (billions of KWHs)	87.0	83.7	82.7
Total purchased power (billions of KWHs)	18.9	21.9	20.5
Sources of generation (percent)			
Coal	75	75	76
Nuclear	18	18	18
Gas	7	6	4
Hydro	-	1	2
Cost of fuel, generated (cents per net KWH)			
Coal	2.87	2.58	1.91
Nuclear	0.51	0.47	0.47
Gas	6.28	5.76	14.03
Average cost of fuel, generated (cents per net KWH)	2.68	2.39	2.12
Average cost of purchased power (cents per net KWH)	7.27	6.38	7.51

Fuel and purchased power expenses were \$3.7 billion in 2007, an increase of \$312.9 million, or 9.3%, above prior year costs. This increase was driven by a \$414.5 million increase in total energy costs due to the higher average cost of fuel and purchased power. This was partially offset by a \$101.6 million reduction due to less KWHs purchased.

Fuel and purchased power expenses were \$3.4 billion in 2006, an increase of \$124.4 million, or 3.8%, above prior year costs. This increase was driven by a \$146.1 million increase related to higher KWHs generated and purchased partially offset by a \$21.7 million decrease in the average cost of fuel and purchased power.

Fuel and purchased power expenses were \$3.3 billion in 2005, an increase of \$863.4 million, or 36.1%, above prior year costs. This increase was the result of an \$881.2 million increase in the average cost of fuel and purchased power partially offset by a \$17.8 million decrease related to total lower KWHs generated and purchased.

In 2007, the Company entered into power purchase agreements (PPAs) with companies to purchase a total of approximately 1,795 megawatts (MW). These contracts start in 2010. These agreements have been approved by the Georgia PSC and the FERC, as required. Of the total capacity, approximately 561 MW will expire in 2017, 292 MW in 2025, and 942 MW in 2030. These contracts are expected to result in higher non-fuel expenses that will be subject to recovery through future base rates. Additionally, in December 2007 and January 2008, the Company entered into two biomass renewable generation contracts for 50 MW each. Both contracts begin in 2010 and one expires in 2025 and the other expires in 2030.

In 2006, the Company entered into three PPAs to purchase a total of approximately 1,000 MW annually from June 2009 through May 2024. These agreements were approved by the Georgia PSC.

These agreements satisfy growth and replace expiring agreements. The agreements are expected to result in higher non-fuel expenses that will be subject to recovery through future base rates.

While there has been a significant upward trend in the cost of coal and natural gas since 2003, prices moderated somewhat in 2006 and 2007. Coal prices have been influenced by a worldwide increase in demand from developing countries, as well as increases in mining and fuel transportation costs. While demand for natural gas in the United States continued to increase in 2007, natural gas supplies have also risen due to increased production and higher storage levels. During 2007, uranium prices were volatile and increased over the course of the year due to increasing long-term demand, with primary production levels at approximately 55% to 60% of demand. Secondary supplies and inventories were sufficient to fill the primary production shortfall.

Fuel expenses generally do not affect net income, since they are offset by fuel revenues under the Company's fuel cost recovery provisions. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL — "PSC MATTERS — Fuel Cost Recovery" for additional information.

#### Other Operations and Maintenance Expenses

In 2007, the total change in other operations and maintenance expenses was immaterial compared to 2006.

In 2006, other operations and maintenance expenses decreased \$11.0 million, or 0.7%, from the prior year. Maintenance for generating plants decreased \$20.0 million in 2006 as a result of fewer scheduled outages than 2005, offset by an increase of \$18.2 million for transmission and distribution expenses related to load dispatching and overhead line maintenance. Also contributing to the decrease were lower employee benefit expenses related to medical benefits and lower workers compensation expense of \$23.2 million, partially offset by lower pension income of \$13.7 million.

In 2005, other operations and maintenance expenses increased \$86 million, or 5.8%. Maintenance for generating plant and transmission and distribution increased \$27.5 million and \$15.9 million, respectively, as a result of scheduled outages and, to a lesser extent, certain flexible projects planned for other periods. Increased employee benefit expense of \$18.9 million related to pension and medical benefits and higher property insurance costs of \$4.6 million resulting from storm damage also contributed to the increase. Customer assistance expense and uncollectible account expense also increased an additional \$9.3 million in 2005 over 2004, primarily as a result of promotional expenses related to an energy efficiency program and an increased number of customer bankruptcies.

#### **Depreciation and Amortization**

Depreciation and amortization increased \$12.4 million, or 2.5%, in 2007 from the prior year primarily due to a 3.4% increase in plant in service from the prior year. This increase was partially offset by a decrease in amortization due to a regulatory liability related to the inclusion of certified PPAs in retail rates as ordered by the Georgia PSC under the terms of the retail rate plan for the three years ended December 31, 2007 (2004 Retail Rate Plan). Depreciation and amortization decreased \$27.9 million, or 5.3%, in 2006 from the prior year due to the scheduled decrease in amortization related to this regulatory liability. This decrease was partially offset by a \$15.9 million, or 3.2%, increase in depreciation expense in 2006 over 2005 due to an increase in plant in service. Depreciation and amortization increased \$230 million, or 77.5%, in 2005 over 2004 primarily due to the expiration at the end of 2004 of certain accelerated amortization provisions of the previously existing retail rate plan. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Retail Regulatory Matters – Rate Plans" for additional information.

#### Taxes Other than Income Taxes

Taxes other than income taxes decreased \$7.7 million, or 2.6%, in 2007 primarily due to the resolution of a dispute regarding property taxes in Monroe County, Georgia. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Property Tax Dispute" for additional information. Taxes other than income taxes increased \$22.8 million, or 8.3%, in 2006 primarily due to higher property taxes of \$13.3 million as a result of an increase in property values and higher municipal gross receipts taxes of \$9.1 million as a result of increased retail operating revenues. Taxes other than income taxes increased \$33 million, or 13.6%, in 2005 primarily due to higher municipal gross receipts taxes of \$18.1 million resulting from increased retail operating revenues and higher property taxes of \$14.0 million.

#### Allowance for Equity Funds Used During Construction

Allowance for equity funds used during construction (AFUDC) increased \$36.7 million, or 116.3%, in 2007 primarily due to the increase in the Company's construction work in progress balance related to ongoing transmission, distribution, and environmental projects. AFUDC remained relatively constant in 2006 and 2005.

#### Interest Expense, Net of Amounts Capitalized

Interest expense increased \$25.5 million, or 8.0%, in 2007 primarily due to a 13.9% increase in long-term debt levels due to the issuance of additional senior notes and pollution control bonds. Interest expense increased \$22.5 million, or 7.6%, in 2006 primarily due to generally higher interest rates on variable rate debt and commercial paper, the issuance of additional senior notes, and higher average balances of short-term debt. Interest expense increased \$40.6 million, or 15.9%, in 2005 primarily due to the issuance of additional senior notes and generally higher interest rates on variable rate debt and commercial paper.

#### Other Income and (Expense), Net

Other income and (expense), net increased \$5.8 million, or 66.5%, in 2007 primarily due to \$4.0 million from land and timber sales. Other income and (expense), net increased \$1.9 million, or 26.7%, in 2006 primarily due to reduced expenses of \$2.9 million and \$5.0 million related to the employee stock ownership plan and charitable donations, respectively, and increased revenues of \$3.6 million, \$5.4 million, and \$3.4 million related to a residential pricing program, customer contracting, and customer facilities charges, respectively. These increases were partially offset by net financial gains on gas hedges of \$18.6 million in 2005. Other income and (expense), net increased \$21.5 million in 2005 from 2004, or 148.0%, primarily due to \$16.8 million of additional gas hedge gains.

#### Income Taxes

Income taxes decreased \$24.8 million, or 5.6%, in 2007 primarily due to state and federal deductions for the Company's donation of 2,200 acres in the Tallulah Gorge area to the State of Georgia and higher federal manufacturing deductions. In 2006, income taxes decreased \$5.1 million, or 1.1%, primarily due to the recognition of state tax credits. In 2005, income taxes increased \$53.5 million, or 13.6%, primarily due to higher pre-tax net income. See Note 5 to the financial statements for additional information.

## **Effects of Inflation**

The Company is subject to rate regulation that is based on the recovery of historical costs. When historical costs are included, or when inflation exceeds projected costs used in rate regulation or market-based prices, the effects of inflation can create an economic loss since the recovery of costs could be in dollars that have less purchasing power. In addition, income tax laws are based on historical costs. While the inflation rate has been relatively low in recent years, it continues to have an adverse effect on the Company because of the large investment in utility plant with long economic lives. Conventional accounting for historical cost does not recognize this economic loss nor the partially offsetting gain that arises through financing facilities with fixed-money obligations such as long-term debt, preferred securities, preferred stock, and preference stock. Any recognition of inflation by regulatory authorities is reflected in the rate of return allowed in the Company's approved electric rates.

#### **FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL**

#### General

The Company 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. Prices for electricity provided by the Company to retail customers are set by the Georgia PSC under cost-based regulatory principles. Prices for electricity relating to PPAs, interconnecting transmission lines, and the exchange of electric power are set by the FERC. Retail rates and revenues are reviewed and adjusted periodically with certain limitations. See ACCOUNTING POLICIES – "Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates – Electric Utility Regulation" herein and Note 3 to the financial statements under "Retail Regulatory Matters" and "FERC Matters" for additional information about regulatory matters.

The results of operations for the past three years are not necessarily indicative of future earnings potential. The level of the Company's future earnings depends on numerous factors that affect the opportunities, challenges, and risks of the Company's business of selling electricity. These factors include the ability of the Company to maintain a stable regulatory environment that continues to allow for the recovery of all prudently incurred costs during a time of increasing costs. Future earnings in the near term will depend, in part, upon growth in 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 in the Company's service area.

#### **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. Environmental compliance spending over the next several years may exceed amounts estimated. Some of the factors driving the potential for such an increase are higher commodity costs, market demand for labor, and scope additions and clarifications. The timing, specific requirements, and estimated costs could also change as environmental statutes and regulations are adopted or modified. Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan approved by the Georgia PSC on December 18, 2007, an environmental compliance cost recovery (ECCR) tariff was implemented on January 1, 2008 to allow for the recovery of most of the costs related to environmental controls mandated by state and federal regulation scheduled for completion in 2008, 2009, and 2010. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Rate Plans" for additional information.

#### New Source Review Actions

In November 1999, the Environmental Protection Agency (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 the Company, alleging that these subsidiaries had violated the New Source Review (NSR) provisions of the Clean Air Act and related state laws at certain coal-fired generating facilities including the Company's Plants Bowen and Scherer. 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 the Company. 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 action against the Company 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 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 and 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 the four remaining plants.

The plaintiffs appealed the district court's decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the appeal was stayed by the Appeals Court 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. On October 5, 2007, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama issued an order in the Alabama Power case indicating a willingness to re-evaluate its previous decision in light of the Supreme Court's Duke Energy opinion. On December 21, 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.

The Company believes that it 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 \$32,500 per day, per violation at each generating unit, depending on the date of the alleged violation. An adverse outcome in this matter 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.

The EPA has issued a series of proposed and final revisions to its NSR regulations under the Clean Air Act, many of which have been subject to legal challenges by environmental groups and states. In June 2005, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit upheld, in part, the EPA's revisions to NSR regulations that were issued in December 2002 but vacated portions of those

revisions addressing the exclusion of certain pollution control projects. These regulatory revisions have been adopted by the State of Georgia. In March 2006, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit also vacated an EPA rule which sought to clarify the scope of the existing routine maintenance, repair, and replacement exclusion. The EPA has also published proposed rules clarifying the test for determining when an emissions increase subject to the NSR permitting requirements has occurred. The impact of these proposed rules will depend on adoption of the final rules by the EPA and the State of Georgia's implementation of such rules, as well as the outcome of any additional legal challenges, and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

#### Carbon Dioxide Litigation

In July 2004, attorneys general from eight states, each outside of Southern Company's service territory, and the corporation counsel for New York City filed a complaint in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York against Southern Company and four other electric power companies. A nearly identical complaint was filed by three environmental groups in the same court. 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. 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 no decision has been issued. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

#### **Environmental Statutes and Regulations**

#### General

The Company's operations are subject to extensive regulation by state and federal environmental agencies under a variety of statutes and regulations governing environmental media, including air, water, and land resources. Applicable statutes include the Clean Air Act; the Clean Water Act; the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act; the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act; the Toxic Substances Control Act; the Emergency Planning & Community Right-to-Know Act; and the Endangered Species Act. Compliance with these environmental requirements involves significant capital and operating costs, a major portion of which is expected to be recovered through existing ratemaking provisions. Through 2007, the Company had invested approximately \$2.4 billion in capital projects to comply with these requirements, with annual totals of \$856 million, \$351 million, and \$117 million for 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. The Company expects that capital expenditures to assure compliance with existing and new statutes, and regulations will be an additional \$707 million, \$353 million, and \$246 million for 2008, 2009, and 2010, respectively. The Company's compliance strategy is impacted by changes to existing environmental laws, statutes and regulations, the cost, availability, and existing inventory of emission allowances, and the Company's fuel mix. Environmental costs that are known and estimable at this time are included in capital expenditures discussed under FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY – "Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations" herein.

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 significantly affect the Company. New environmental legislation or regulations, or changes to existing statutes or regulations, could affect many areas of the Company's operations; however, the full impact of any such changes cannot be determined at this time.

## Air Quality

Compliance with the Clean Air Act and resulting regulations has been and will continue to be a significant focus for the Company. Through 2007, the Company had spent approximately \$2.1 billion in reducing sulfur dioxide ( $SO_2$ ) and nitrogen oxide ( $NO_x$ ) emissions and in monitoring emissions pursuant to the Clean Air Act. Additional controls have been announced and are currently being installed at several plants to further reduce  $SO_2$ ,  $NO_x$ , and mercury emissions, maintain compliance with existing regulations, and meet new requirements.

In 2004, the EPA designated nonattainment areas under an eight-hour ozone standard. Areas within the Company's service area that were designated as nonattainment under the eight-hour ozone standard include Macon and a 20-county area within metropolitan Atlanta. The Macon area was redesignated by the EPA as an attainment area on September 19, 2007. In December 2006, the

U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit vacated the first set of implementation rules adopted in 2004 and remanded the rules to the EPA for further refinement. On June 20, 2007, the EPA proposed additional revisions to the current eight-hour ozone standard which, if enacted, could result in the designation of new nonattainment areas within the Company's service territory. The EPA has requested comment and is expected to publish final revisions to the standard in 2008. The impact of this decision, if any, cannot be determined at this time and will depend on subsequent legal action and/or future nonattainment designations and state regulatory plans.

During 2005, the EPA's fine particulate matter nonattainment designations became effective for several areas within the Company's service area. State plans for addressing the nonattainment designations under the existing standard are required by April 2008 and could require further reductions in SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emissions from power plants. In September 2006, the EPA published a final rule which increased the stringency of the 24-hour average fine particulate matter air quality standard. In December 2007, state agencies recommended to the EPA that an area encompassing all or parts of 22 counties within metropolitan Atlanta be designated as nonattainment for this standard. The EPA plans to designate nonattainment areas based on the new standard by December 2009. The ultimate outcome of this matter depends on the development and submittal of the required state plans and the resolution of pending legal challenges and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

The EPA issued the final Clean Air Interstate Rule in March 2005. This cap-and-trade rule addresses power plant  $SO_2$  and  $NO_x$  emissions that were found to contribute to nonattainment of the eight-hour ozone and fine particulate matter standards in downwind states. Twenty-eight eastern states, including the State of Georgia, are subject to the requirements of the rule. The rule calls for additional reductions of  $NO_x$  and/or  $SO_2$  to be achieved in two phases, 2009/2010 and 2015. The State of Georgia has completed plans to implement this program. These reductions will be accomplished by the installation of additional emission controls at the Company's coal-fired facilities and/or by the purchase of emission allowances from a cap-and-trade program. The State of Georgia implemented the Clean Air Interstate Rule, and in June 2007, approved a "multi-pollutant rule" that will require plant specific emission controls on all but the smallest generating units in Georgia according to a schedule set forth in the rule. The rule is designed to ensure reductions in emissions of  $SO_2$ ,  $NO_8$ , and mercury in Georgia.

The Clean Air Visibility Rule (formerly called the Regional Haze Rule) was finalized in July 2005. The goal of this rule is to restore natural visibility conditions in certain areas (primarily national parks and wilderness areas) by 2064. The rule involves (1) the application of Best Available Retrofit Technology (BART) to certain sources built between 1962 and 1977 and (2) the application of any additional emissions reductions which may be deemed necessary for each designated area to achieve reasonable progress by 2018 toward the natural conditions goal. Thereafter, for each 10-year planning period, additional emissions reductions will be required to continue to demonstrate reasonable progress in each area during that period. For power plants, the Clean Air Visibility Rule allows states to determine that the Clean Air Interstate Rule satisfies BART requirements for SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub>.

Extensive studies were performed for each of the Company's affected units to demonstrate that additional particulate matter controls are not necessary under BART. At the request of the State of Georgia, additional analyses were performed for certain units in Georgia to demonstrate that no additional SO<sub>2</sub> controls were required. States are currently completing implementation plans that contain strategies for BART and any other measures required to achieve the first phase of reasonable progress.

The impacts of the eight-hour ozone and the fine particulate matter nonattainment designations, and the Clean Air Visibility Rule on the Company will depend on the development and implementation of rules at the state level. Therefore, the full effects of these regulations on the Company cannot be determined at this time. The Company has developed and continually updates a comprehensive environmental compliance strategy to comply with the continuing and new environmental requirements discussed above. As part of this strategy, the Company plans to install additional SO<sub>2</sub> and NO<sub>x</sub> emission controls within the next several years to assure continued compliance with applicable air quality requirements.

In March 2005, the EPA published the final Clean Air Mercury Rule, a cap-and-trade program for the reduction of mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants. The rule sets caps on mercury emissions to be implemented in two phases, 2010 and 2018, and provides for an emission allowance trading market. The final Clean Air Mercury Rule was challenged in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. The petitioners alleged that the EPA was not authorized to establish a cap-and-trade program for mercury emissions and instead the EPA must establish maximum achievable control technology standards for coal-fired electric utility steam generating units. On February 8, 2008, the court issued its ruling and vacated the Clean Air Mercury Rule. The Company's overall environmental compliance strategy relies primarily on a combination of SO<sub>2</sub> and NOx controls to reduce mercury emissions. Any significant changes in the strategy will depend on the outcome of any appeals and/or future federal and state rulemakings. Future rulemakings could require emission reductions more stringent than required by the Clean Air Mercury Rule.

#### Water Quality

In July 2004, the EPA published its final technology-based regulations under the Clean Water Act for the purpose of reducing impingement and entrainment of fish, shellfish, and other forms of aquatic life at existing power plant cooling water intake structures. The rules require baseline biological information and, perhaps, installation of fish protection technology near some intake structures at existing power plants. On January 25, 2007, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit overturned and remanded several provisions of the rule to the EPA for revisions. Among other things, the court rejected the EPA's use of "cost-benefit" analysis and suggested some ways to incorporate cost considerations. The full impact of these regulations will depend on subsequent legal proceedings, further rulemaking by the EPA, the results of studies and analyses performed as part of the rules' implementation, and the actual requirements established by State of Georgia regulatory agencies and, therefore, cannot be determined at this time.

#### Environmental Remediation

The Company must comply with other environmental laws and regulations that cover the handling and disposal of waste and release of hazardous substances. Under these various laws and regulations, the Company could incur substantial costs to clean up properties. The Company conducts studies to determine the extent of any required cleanup and has recognized in its financial statements the costs to clean up known sites. Amounts for cleanup and ongoing monitoring costs were not material for any year presented. The Company may be liable for some or all required cleanup costs for additional sites that may require environmental remediation. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Environmental Matters – Environmental Remediation" for additional information.

#### Global Climate Issues

Federal legislative proposals that would impose mandatory requirements related to greenhouse gas emissions continue to be considered in Congress. The ultimate outcome of these proposals cannot be determined at this time; however, mandatory restrictions on the Company's greenhouse gas emissions 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.

In April 2007, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the EPA has authority under the Clean Air Act to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from new motor vehicles. The EPA is currently developing its response to this decision. Regulatory decisions that will follow from this response may have implications for both new and existing stationary sources, such as power plants. The ultimate outcome of these rulemaking activities cannot be determined at this time; however, as with the current legislative proposals, mandatory restrictions on the Company's greenhouse gas emissions 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.

In addition, some states are considering or have undertaken actions to regulate and reduce greenhouse gas emissions. For example, on July 13, 2007, the Governor of the State of Florida signed three executive orders addressing reduction of greenhouse gas emissions within the state, including statewide emission reduction targets beginning in 2017. Included in the orders is a directive to the Florida Secretary of Environmental Protection to develop rules adopting maximum allowable emissions levels of greenhouse gases for electric utilities, consistent with the statewide emission reduction targets, and a request to the Florida PSC to initiate rulemaking requiring utilities to produce at least 20% of their electricity from renewable sources. The impact of any similar state requirements on the Company will depend on the development, adoption, and implementation of state laws or rules governing greenhouse gas emissions, and the ultimate outcome cannot be determined at this time.

International climate change negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change also continue. Current efforts focus on a potential successor to the Kyoto Protocol for the post 2008 through 2012 timeframe. The outcome and impact of the international negotiations cannot be determined at this time.

The Company continues to evaluate its future energy and emission profiles and is participating in voluntary programs to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and to help develop and advance technology to reduce emissions.

#### **FERC Matters**

#### Market-Based Rate Authority

The Company 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 the 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 late June and July 2007, hearings were held in this proceeding and the presiding administrative law judge issued an initial decision on November 9, 2007 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 Company 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 refunds of up to \$5.8 million, plus interest. The Company believes that there is no meritorious basis for this proceeding and is vigorously defending itself in this matter.

On June 21, 2007, the FERC issued its final rule regarding market-based rate authority. The FERC generally retained its current market-based rate standards. The impact of this order and its effect on the generation dominance proceeding cannot now be determined.

#### Intercompany Interchange Contract

The Company's generation fleet 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 (including the Company), Southern Power, and Southern Company Services, Inc. (SCS), as agent, under the terms of which the power pool of Southern Company is operated, (2) whether any parties to the IIC have violated the FERC's standards of conduct applicable to utility 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. Southern Company filed with the FERC in November 2006 a compliance plan in connection with the order. On April 19, 2007, the FERC approved, with certain modifications, the plan submitted by Southern Company. Implementation of the plan is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements. On November 19, 2007, Southern Company notified the FERC that the plan had been implemented and the FERC division of audits subsequently began an audit pertaining to compliance implementation and related matters, which is ongoing.

## 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, including the Company, filed complaints at the FERC requesting that the FERC modify the agreements and that the Company refund a total of \$7.9 million previously paid for interconnection facilities. No other similar complaints are pending with the FERC.

On January 19, 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 the 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 the FERC's methodology for determining the amount of refunds. The requested rehearings were denied and Southern Company and Tenaska have appealed the orders to the U.S. Circuit Court for the District of Columbia. The final outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

#### **PSC Matters**

#### Rate Plans

In December 2007, the Georgia PSC approved the 2007 Retail Rate Plan for the years 2008 through 2010. Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the Company's earnings will continue to be evaluated against a retail return on common equity (ROE) range of 10.25% to 12.25%. Two-thirds of any earnings above 12.25% will be applied to rate refunds with the remaining one-third applied to an ECCR tariff. The Company agreed that it will not file for a general base rate increase during this period unless its projected retail ROE falls below 10.25%. Retail base rates increased by approximately \$99.7 million effective January 1, 2008 to provide for cost recovery of transmission, distribution, generation and other investments, as well as increased operating costs. In addition, the ECCR tariff was implemented to allow for the recovery of costs for required environmental projects mandated by state and federal regulations. The ECCR tariff increased rates by approximately \$222 million effective January 1, 2008.

The Company is required to file a general rate case by July 1, 2010, in response to which the Georgia PSC would be expected to determine whether the 2007 Retail Rate Plan should be continued, modified, or discontinued. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Retail Regulatory Matters – Rate Plans" for additional information.

#### Fuel Cost Recovery

The Company has established fuel cost recovery rates approved by the Georgia PSC. In March 2006, the Company and Savannah Electric filed a combined request for fuel cost recovery rate changes with the Georgia PSC to be effective July 1, 2006, concurrent with the merger of the companies. In June 2006, the Georgia PSC ruled on the request and approved an increase in the Company's total annual billings of approximately \$400 million. The Georgia PSC order provided for a combined ongoing fuel forecast but reduced the requested increase related to such forecast by \$200 million. With respect to the merger, the Georgia PSC also set a Merger Transition Adjustment (MTA) applicable to customers in the former Savannah Electric service territory so that the fuel rate that became effective on July 1, 2006 plus the MTA equaled the applicable fuel rate paid by such customers as of June 30, 2006. Amounts collected under the MTA were credited to customers in the original Georgia Power service territory through a Merger Transition Credit (MTC) through December 31, 2007. The order also required the Company to file for a new fuel cost recovery rate on a semi-annual basis, beginning in September 2006. Accordingly, in September 2006, the Company filed a request to recover fuel costs incurred through August 2006 by increasing the fuel cost recovery rate. In November 2006, under agreement with the Georgia PSC staff, the Company filed a supplementary request reflecting a forecast of annual fuel costs, as well as updated information for previously incurred fuel costs.

On February 6, 2007, the Georgia PSC approved an increase in the Company's total annual billings of approximately \$383 million effective March 1, 2007. The order reduced the Company's requested increase in the forecast of annual fuel costs by \$40 million and disallowed \$4 million of previously incurred fuel costs. Estimated under recovered fuel costs through February 2007 are to be recovered through May 2009 for customers in the original Georgia Power territory and through November 2009 for customers in the former Savannah Electric territory. The order also requires the Company to file for a new fuel cost recovery rate no later than March 1, 2008. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had a total under recovered fuel cost balance of approximately \$692 million, of which approximately \$106 million is not included in current rates.

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, a change in the billing factor has no significant effect on the Company's revenues or net income, but does impact annual cash flow. In accordance with Georgia PSC order, approximately \$307 million of the under recovered regulatory clause revenues for the Company is included in deferred charges and other assets at December 31, 2007. See Note 1 to the financial statements under "Revenues" and Note 3 to the financial statements under "Retail Regulatory Matters" for additional information.

#### **Income Tax Matters**

## Georgia State Income Tax Credits

The Company's 2005 through 2007 income tax filings for the State of Georgia include state income tax credits for increased activity through Georgia ports. The Company has also filed similar claims for the years 2002 through 2004. The Georgia Department of Revenue (DOR) has not responded to these claims. On July 24, 2007, the Company filed a complaint in the Superior Court of Fulton

County to recover the credits claimed for the years 2002 through 2004. If allowed, these claims could have a significant, possibly material, positive effect on the Company's net income. If the Company is not successful, payment of the related state tax could have a significant, possibly material, negative effect on the Company's cash flow. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined. See Note 3 under "Income Tax Matters" and Note 5 under "Unrecognized Tax Benefits" for additional information.

#### Internal Revenue Code Section 199 Domestic Production Deduction

The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 created a tax deduction for the portion of income attributable to U.S. production activities as defined in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (Internal Revenue Code), Section 199 (production activities deduction). The deduction is equal to a stated percentage of qualified production activities net income. The percentage is phased in over the years 2005 through 2010 with a 3% rate applicable to the years 2005 and 2006, a 6% rate applicable for years 2007 through 2009, and a 9% rate applicable for all years after 2009. See Note 5 to the financial statements under "Effective Tax Rate" for additional information.

## **Bonus Depreciation**

On February 13, 2008, President Bush signed the Economic Stimulus Act of 2008 (Stimulus Act) into law. The Stimulus Act includes a provision that allows 50% bonus depreciation for certain property acquired in 2008 and placed in service in 2008, or in limited circumstances, 2009. The Company is currently assessing the financial implications of the Stimulus Act; however, the ultimate impact cannot be determined at this time.

#### Nuclear

#### **Nuclear Projects**

In August 2006, as part of a potential expansion of Plant Vogtle, the Company and Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (SNC) filed an application with the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) for an early site permit (ESP) on behalf of the owners of Plant Vogtle. In addition, the Company and SNC notified the NRC of their intent to apply for a combined construction and operating license (COL) in 2008. Ownership agreements have been signed with each of the existing Plant Vogtle co-owners. See Note 4 to the financial statements for additional information on these co-owners. In June 2006, the Georgia PSC approved the Company's request to establish an accounting order that would allow the Company to defer for future recovery the ESP and COL costs, of which the Company's portion is estimated to total approximately \$51 million. At December 31, 2007, approximately \$28.4 million is included in deferred charges and other assets. At this point, no final decision has been made regarding actual construction. Any new generation resource must be certified by the Georgia PSC in a separate proceeding.

#### Nuclear Relicensing

In January 2002, the NRC granted the Company a 20-year extension of the licenses for both units at Plant Hatch which permits the operation of Units 1 and 2 until 2034 and 2038, respectively. The Company filed an application with the NRC in June 2007 to extend the licenses for Plant Vogtle Units 1 and 2 for an additional 20 years. The Company anticipates the NRC may make a decision regarding the license extension for Plant Vogtle as early as 2009.

#### Other Matters

The Company is involved in various other matters being litigated, regulatory matters, and certain tax-related issues that could affect future earnings. In addition, the Company is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. The Company's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment. 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 have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against the Company cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements. See Note 3 to the financial statements for information regarding material issues.

#### **ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

## **Application of Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates**

The Company 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. In the application of these policies, certain estimates are made that may have a material impact on the 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. Senior management has reviewed and discussed the following critical accounting policies and estimates with the Audit Committee of Southern Company's Board of Directors.

#### Electric Utility Regulation

The Company is subject to retail regulation by the Georgia PSC and wholesale regulation by the FERC. These regulatory agencies set the rates the Company is permitted to charge customers based on allowable costs. As a result, the Company applies Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation" (SFAS No. 71), which requires the financial statements to reflect the effects of rate regulation. Through the ratemaking process, the regulators may require the inclusion of costs or revenues in periods different than when they would be recognized by a non-regulated company. This treatment may result in the deferral of expenses and the recording of related regulatory assets based on anticipated future recovery through rates or the deferral of gains or creation of liabilities and the recording of related regulatory liabilities. The application of SFAS No. 71 has a further effect on the Company's financial statements as a result of the estimates of allowable costs used in the ratemaking process. These estimates may differ from those actually incurred by the Company; therefore, the accounting estimates inherent in specific costs such as depreciation, nuclear decommissioning, and pension and postretirement benefits have less of a direct impact on the Company's results of operations than they would on a non-regulated company.

As reflected in Note 1 to the financial statements, significant regulatory assets and liabilities have been recorded. Management reviews the ultimate recoverability of these regulatory assets and liabilities based on applicable regulatory guidelines and accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. However, adverse legislative, judicial, or regulatory actions could materially impact the amounts of such regulatory assets and liabilities and could adversely impact the Company's financial statements.

## **Contingent Obligations**

The Company is subject to a number of federal and state laws and regulations, as well as other factors and conditions that potentially subject it to environmental, litigation, income tax, and other risks. See FUTURE EARNINGS POTENTIAL herein and Note 3 to the financial statements for more information regarding certain of these contingencies. The Company periodically evaluates its exposure to such risks and records reserves for those matters where a loss is considered probable and reasonably estimable in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The adequacy of reserves can be significantly affected by external events or conditions that can be unpredictable; thus, the ultimate outcome of such matters could materially affect the Company's financial statements. These events or conditions include the following:

- Changes in existing state or federal regulation by governmental authorities having jurisdiction over air quality, water quality, control of toxic substances, hazardous and solid wastes, and other environmental matters.
- Changes in existing income tax regulations or changes in Internal Revenue Service (IRS) or Georgia DOR interpretations of existing regulations.
- Identification of additional sites that require environmental remediation or the filing of other complaints in which the Company may be asserted to be a potentially responsible party.
- Identification and evaluation of other potential lawsuits or complaints in which the Company may be named as a defendant.
- Resolution or progression of existing matters through the legislative process, the court systems, the IRS, the FERC, or the EPA.

#### Unbilled Revenues

Revenues related to the sale of electricity are recorded when electricity is delivered to customers. However, the determination of KWH sales to individual customers is based on the reading of their meters, which is performed on a systematic basis throughout the month. At the end of each month, amounts of electricity delivered to customers, but not yet metered and billed, are estimated. Components of the unbilled revenue estimates include total KWH territorial supply, total KWH billed, estimated total electricity lost in delivery, and customer usage. These components can fluctuate as a result of a number of factors including weather, generation patterns, and power delivery volume and other operational constraints. These factors can be unpredictable and can vary from historical trends. As a result, the overall estimate of unbilled revenues could be significantly affected, which could have a material impact on the Company's results of operations.

### New Accounting Standards

#### Income Taxes

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48), which requires companies to determine whether it is "more likely than not" that a tax position will be sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authorities before any part of the benefit can be recorded in the financial statements. It also provides guidance on the recognition, measurement, and classification of income tax uncertainties, along with any related interest and penalties. The provisions of FIN 48 were applied to all tax positions beginning January 1, 2007. The adoption of FIN 48 did not have a material impact on the Company's financial statements. See Note 5 under "Unrecognized Tax Benefits" for additional information.

#### Pensions and Other Postretirement Plans

On December 31, 2006, the Company adopted FASB Statement No. 158, "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans" (SFAS No. 158), which requires recognition of the funded status of its defined benefit postretirement plans in the balance sheets. Additionally, SFAS No. 158 will require the Company to change the measurement date for its defined benefit postretirement plan assets and obligations from September 30 to December 31 beginning with the year ending December 31, 2008. See Note 2 to the financial statements for additional information.

### Fair Value Measurement

The FASB issued FASB Statement No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" (SFAS No. 157) in September 2006. SFAS No. 157 provides guidance on how to measure fair value where it is permitted or required under other accounting pronouncements. SFAS No. 157 also requires additional disclosures about fair value measurements. The Company adopted SFAS No. 157 in its entirety on January 1, 2008, with no material effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

#### Fair Value Option

In February 2007, the FASB issued FASB Statement No. 159, "Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities — Including an Amendment of FASB Statement No. 115" (SFAS No. 159). This standard permits an entity to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value. The Company adopted SFAS No. 159 on January 1, 2008, with no material effect on its financial condition or results of operations.

### FINANCIAL CONDITION AND LIQUIDITY

## Overview

The Company's financial condition remained stable at December 31, 2007. Cash flow from operations totaled \$1.4 billion, an increase of \$248.5 million from 2006, primarily due to higher retail revenues primarily related to higher fuel cost recovery revenues and less cash used for working capital primarily from lower inventory additions and increases in other current liabilities. Cash flow from operations increased \$117.4 million in 2006, primarily from increased retail operating revenues partially offset by higher fuel inventories and an increase in under recovered deferred fuel costs. In 2005, cash flow from operations increased \$58.4 million primarily from increased retail operating revenues, partially offset by the increase in under recovered deferred fuel costs.

Net cash used for investing activities totaled \$1.9 billion due to gross property additions primarily related to installation of equipment to comply with environmental standards, construction of transmission and distribution facilities, and purchase of nuclear fuel. The majority of funds needed for gross property additions for the last several years have been provided from operating activities, capital contributions from Southern Company, and the issuance of long and short-term debt and preference stock.

Cash provided from financing activities totaled \$429.7 million primarily related to the issuance of new senior notes. The statements of cash flows provide additional details. See "Financing Activities" herein.

Significant balance sheet changes in 2007 include a \$726 million increase in long-term debt and a \$221 million increase in Preferred and Preference Stock primarily to replace short-term debt and provide funds for the Company's continuous construction programs. Other balance sheet changes include an increase in total property, plant and equipment of \$1.3 billion and a \$206 million decrease in the under recovered fuel balance.

The Company's ratio of common equity to total capitalization – including short-term debt – was 47.5% in 2007, 48.6% in 2006, and 47.9% in 2005. The Company has received investment grade ratings from the major rating agencies with respect to debt, preferred securities, preferred stock, and preference stock.

### Sources of Capital

The Company plans to obtain the funds required for construction and other purposes from sources similar to those used in the past, which were primarily from operating cash flows. However, the type and timing of any future financings, if needed, will depend on market conditions, regulatory approvals, and other factors. The issuance of long-term securities by the Company is subject to the approval of the Georgia PSC. In addition, the issuance of short-term debt securities by the Company is subject to regulatory approval by the FERC. Additionally, with respect to the public offering of securities, the Company files registration statements with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. The amounts of securities authorized by the Georgia PSC and the FERC are continuously monitored and appropriate filings are made to ensure flexibility in the capital markets.

The Company obtains financing separately without credit support from any affiliate. See Note 6 to the financial statements under "Bank Credit Arrangements" for additional information. The Southern Company system does not maintain a centralized cash or money pool. Therefore, funds of the Company are not commingled with funds of any other company.

The Company's current liabilities frequently exceed current assets because of the continued use of short-term debt as a funding source for under recovered fuel costs and to meet cash needs which can fluctuate significantly due to the seasonality of the business.

To meet short-term cash needs and contingencies, at the beginning of 2008 the Company had credit arrangements with banks totaling \$1.2 billion, of which \$8 million was used to support an outstanding letter of credit. See Note 6 to the financial statements under "Bank Credit Arrangements" for additional information.

At the beginning of 2008, bank credit arrangements were as follows:

		Exp	tres
Total	Unused	2008	2012
	(in millions)	•	
\$1,160	\$1,152	\$40	\$1,120

The credit arrangement that expires in 2008 allows for the execution of term loans for an additional two-year period.

The Company may also meet short-term cash needs through a Southern Company subsidiary organized to issue and sell commercial paper and extendible commercial notes at the request and for the benefit of the Company and the other traditional operating companies. Proceeds from such issuances for the benefit of the Company are loaned directly to the Company and are not commingled with proceeds from issuances for the benefits of any other operating company. The obligations of each company under these arrangements are several; there is no cross affiliate credit support. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had \$616 million of outstanding commercial paper and a \$100 million short-term bank loan outstanding.

#### Financing Activities

During 2007, the Company issued \$1.5 billion of senior notes and \$225 million of preference stock and incurred \$191 million of obligations related to the issuance of pollution control bonds. The issuances were used to reduce the Company's short-term indebtedness, fund senior note maturities totaling \$300 million, redeem \$763 million of long-term debt payable to affiliated trusts, and fund the Company's ongoing construction program.

#### **Credit Rating Risk**

The 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 to BBB- or Baa3 or below. Generally, collateral may be provided by a Southern Company guaranty, letter of credit, or cash. These contracts are primarily for physical electricity purchases and sales. At December 31, 2007, the maximum potential collateral requirements at a BBB- or Baa3 rating were approximately \$9 million. The maximum potential collateral requirements at a rating below BBB- or Baa3 were approximately \$515 million.

The Company is also party to certain agreements that could require collateral and/or accelerated payment in the event of a credit rating change to below investment grade for the Company and/or Alabama Power. These agreements are primarily for natural gas and power price risk management activities. At December 31, 2007, the Company's total exposure related to these types of agreements was approximately \$15 million.

#### Market Price Risk

Due to cost-based rate regulation, the Company has limited exposure to market rate volatility in interest rates, commodity fuel prices, and prices of electricity. To manage the volatility attributable to these exposures, the Company nets the exposures to take advantage of natural offsets and enters into various derivative transactions for the remaining exposures pursuant to the Company's policies in areas such as counterparty exposure and hedging practices. The Company's 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 tests, and sensitivity analysis.

To mitigate future exposure to changes in interest rates, the Company enters into forward starting interest rate swaps and other derivatives that have been designated as hedges. These derivatives have a notional amount of \$539 million and are related to anticipated debt issuances over the next two years. The weighted average interest rate on \$1.4 billion of outstanding variable long-term debt that has not been hedged at January 1, 2008 was 4.5%. If the Company sustained a 100 basis point change in interest rates for all unhedged variable rate long-term debt, the change would affect annualized interest expense by approximately \$14.2 million at January 1, 2008. Subsequent to December 31, 2007, the Company converted \$115 million of floating rate pollution control bonds to a fixed rate mode. Additionally, the Company entered into floating to fixed interest rate swaps on \$601 million of variable rate long-term debt. These actions reduced the Company's exposure to variable rate debt to \$704 million for the remainder of the year. Subsequent to these actions, a 100 basis point change in interest rates for all unhedged variable rate long-term debt would affect annualized interest expense by \$7.7 million. See Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements under "Financial Instruments" for additional information.

The Company's \$704 million of variable interest rate exposure relates to tax-exempt auction rate pollution control bonds. Recent weakness in the auction markets has resulted in higher interest rates. The Company has sent notice of conversion of \$662 million of these auction rate securities to alternative interest rate determination methods and plans to remarket all remaining auction rate securities in a timely manner. None of the securities are insured or backed by letters of credit that would require approval of a guarantor or security provider. It is not expected that the higher rates as a result of the weakness in the auction markets will be material.

To mitigate residual risks relative to movements in electricity prices, the Company enters into fixed-price contracts for the purchase and sale of electricity through the wholesale electricity market and, to a lesser extent, into financial hedge contracts for gas purchases.

The Company has implemented a fuel hedging program at the instruction of the Georgia PSC. The changes in fair value of energy-related derivative contracts and year-end valuations were as follows at December 31:

	Changes in Fair Value	
	2007	2006
	(in mil	lions)
Contracts beginning of year	\$ (38.0)	\$ 35.3
Contracts realized or settled	41.6	40.2
New contracts at inception	-	-
Changes in valuation techniques	-	-
Current period changes(a)	(4.0)	(113.5)
Contracts end of year	\$ (0.4)	\$ (38.0)

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

Source	of 2007	Year-End
Va	lustion	Prices

	valuation i lices		
	Total	M	aturity
	Fair Value	Year 1	1-3 Years
		(in millions)	
Actively quoted	\$ (1.1)	\$ (5.8)	\$ 4.7
External sources	0.7	0.7	-
Models and other methods	-	_	-
Contracts end of year	\$ (0.4)	\$ (5.1)	\$ 4.7

Unrealized gains and losses from mark to market adjustments on derivative contracts related to the Company's fuel hedging programs are recorded as regulatory assets and liabilities. Realized gains and losses from these programs are included in fuel expense and are recovered through the Company's fuel cost recovery mechanism. The Company realized net losses in 2007 and 2006 of \$68 million and \$66 million, respectively. Through June 30, 2006, the Company was allowed to retain 25% of net financial gains in earnings, and in 2005 the Company had a total net gain of \$74.6 million of which the Company retained \$18.6 million. See Note 3 to the financial statements under "Retail Regulatory Matters – Fuel Hedging Program" for additional information. Gains and losses on derivative contracts that are not designated as hedges are recognized in the statements of income as incurred. At December 31, 2007, the fair value gains (losses) of energy-related derivative contracts were reflected in the financial statements as follows:

Amounts
(in millions)
\$ (0.4)
<u> </u>
\$ (0.4)

Unrealized gains (losses) recognized in income were not material for any year presented. The Company is exposed to market price risk in the event of nonperformance by counterparties to the derivative energy contracts. The Company's policy is to enter into agreements with counterparties that have investment grade credit ratings by Moody's and Standard & Poor's or with counterparties who have posted collateral to cover potential credit exposure. Therefore, the Company does not anticipate market risk exposure from nonperformance by the counterparties. For additional information, see Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements under "Financial Instruments."

#### Capital Requirements and Contractual Obligations

The construction program of the Company is currently estimated to be \$2.0 billion for 2008, \$2.0 billion for 2009, and \$1.8 billion for 2010. Environmental expenditures included in these estimated amounts are \$707 million, \$353 million, and \$246 million for 2008, 2009, and 2010, respectively. Actual construction costs may vary from these estimates because of changes in such factors as: business conditions; environmental statutes and regulations; nuclear plant regulations; FERC rules and regulations; load projections; 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.

As a result of requirements by the NRC, the Company has established external trust funds for nuclear decommissioning costs. For additional information, see Note 1 to the financial statements under "Nuclear Decommissioning."

In addition, as discussed in Note 2 to the financial statements, the Company provides postretirement benefits to substantially all employees and funds trusts to the extent required by the Georgia PSC and the FERC.

Other funding requirements related to obligations associated with scheduled maturities of long-term debt and preferred securities and the related interest, preferred and preference stock dividends, leases, derivative obligations, and other purchase commitments are as follows. See Notes 1, 6, and 7 to the financial statements for additional information.

#### **Contractual Obligations**

	2008	2009- 2010	2011- 2012	After 2012	Uncertain Timing (d)	Total_
	•	(in millions)				
Long-term debt <sup>(a)</sup> -						
Principal	<b>\$</b> 199	\$ 283	\$ 403	\$ 5,257	\$ -	\$ 6,142
Interest	323	611	593	5,730	-	7,257
Preferred and preference stock dividends(b)	17	35	35	-	-	87
Derivative obligations <sup>(c)</sup>						
Commodity	9	-	•	•	-	9
Interest	14	3	-	-	-	17
Operating leases	29	49	34	29	-	141
Unrecognized tax benefits and interest(d)	-	-	-	-	96	96
Purchase commitments <sup>(e)</sup> -						
Capital <sup>(f)</sup>	1,915	3,497	-	-	-	5,412
Limestone (g)	5	29	30	51	-	115
Coal	1,653	1,519	129	21	-	3,322
Nuclear fuel	116	266	220	125	-	727
Natural gas <sup>(h)</sup>	684	732	761	2,803	-	4,980
Purchased power	342	690	581	2,345	-	3,958
Long-term service agreements(i)	12	27	58	637	-	734
Trusts –						
Nuclear decommissioning <sup>(j)</sup>	7	7	7	56	-	77
Postretirement benefits <sup>(k)</sup>	23	46			_	69
Total	\$5,348	\$7,794	\$2,851	\$ 17,054	\$ 96	\$ 33,143

- (a) All amounts are reflected based on final maturity dates. The Company plans to continue to retire higher-cost securities and replace these obligations with lower-cost capital if market conditions permit. Variable rate interest obligations are estimated based on rates as of January 1, 2008, as reflected in the statements of capitalization. Fixed rates include, where applicable, the effects of interest rate derivatives employed to manage interest rate risk.
- (b) Preferred and preference stock does not mature; therefore, amounts provided are for the next five years only.
- (c) For additional information see Notes 1 and 6 to the financial statements.
- (d) The timing related to the realization of \$96 million in unrecognized tax benefits and interest payments cannot be reasonably and reliably estimated due to uncertainties in the timing of the effective settlement of tax positions. Of this \$96 million, \$71 million is the estimated cash payment. See Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements for additional information.
- (e) The Company generally does not enter into non-cancelable commitments for other operations and maintenance expenditures. Total other operations and maintenance expenses for the last three years were \$1.6 billion, \$1.6 billion, and \$1.6 billion, respectively.
- (f) The Company forecasts capital expenditures over a three-year period. Amounts represent current estimates of total expenditures, excluding those amounts related to contractual purchase commitments for uranium and nuclear fuel conversion, enrichment, and fabrication services. At December 31, 2007, significant purchase commitments were outstanding in connection with the construction program.
- (g) As part of the Company's program to reduce sulfur dioxide emissions from certain of its coal plants, the Company is constructing certain equipment and has entered into various long-term commitments for the procurement of limestone to be used in such equipment.
- (h) Natural gas purchase commitments are based on various indices at the time of delivery. Amounts reflected have been estimated based on the New York Mercantile Exchange future prices at December 31, 2007.
- (i) Long-term service agreements include price escalation based on inflation indices.
- (j) Projections of nuclear decommissioning trust contributions are based on the 2007 Retail Rate Plan.
- (k) The Company forecasts postretirement trust contributions over a three-year period. No contributions related to the Company's pension trust are currently expected during this period. See Note 2 to the financial statements for additional information related to the pension and postretirement plans, including estimated benefit payments. Certain benefit payments will be made through the related trusts. Other benefit payments will be made from the Company's corporate assets.

### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements**

The Company's 2007 Annual Report contains forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, among other things, statements concerning retail rates, fuel cost recovery, environmental regulations and expenditures, the Company's projections for postretirement benefit trust contributions, financing activities, access to sources of capital, the impacts of the adoption of new accounting rules, completion of construction projects, 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 similar 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 the Company is
  subject, as well as changes in application of existing laws and regulations;
- current and future litigation, regulatory investigations, proceedings, or inquiries, including FERC matters and the pending EPA civil action against the Company;
- the effects, extent, and timing of the entry of additional competition in the markets in which the Company operates;
- variations in demand for electricity, including those relating to weather, the general economy, population, business growth (and declines), and the effects of energy conservation measures;
- available sources and costs of fuel;
- effects of inflation;
- ability to control costs;
- investment performance of the 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 cases related to fuel cost recovery;
- 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 the Company;
- the ability of counterparties of the Company to make payments as and when due;
- the ability to obtain new short- and long-term contracts with neighboring utilities;
- the direct or indirect effect on the 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 the Company's credit ratings;
- the ability of the Company 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 influenza, or other similar occurrences;
- the direct or indirect effects on the 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 Company from time to time with the SEC.

The Company expressly disclaims any obligation to update any forward-looking statements.

STATEMENTS OF INCOME For the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 Georgia Power Company 2007 Annual Report

	2007	2006	2005
		(in thousands)	
Operating Revenues:			
Retail revenues	\$6,498,003	\$6,205,620	\$6,064,363
Wholesale revenues			
Non-affiliates	537,913	551,731	524,800
Affiliates	277,832	252,556	275,525
Other revenues .	257,904	235,737	211,149
Total operating revenues	7,571,652	7,245,644	7,075,837
Operating Expenses:			
Fuel	2,640,526	2,233,029	1,937,378
Purchased power			
Non-affiliates	332,064	332,606	421,033
Affiliates	718,327	812,433	895,243
Other operations	1,016,608	1,025,848	1,009,993
Maintenance	545,128	534,621	561,464
Depreciation and amortization	511,180	498,754	526,652
Taxes other than income taxes	291,136	298,824	276,027
Total operating expenses	6,054,969	5,736,115	5,627,790
Operating Income	1,516,683	1,509,529	1,448,047
Other Income and (Expense):			
Allowance for equity funds used during construction	68,177	31,524	29,145
Interest income	3,560	2,459	6,537
Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized	(343,462)	(317,947)	(295,486)
Other income (expense), net	14,705	8,833	6,971
Total other income and (expense)	(257,020)	(275,131)	(252,833)
Earnings Before Income Taxes	1,259,663	1,234,398	1,195,214
Income taxes	417,521	442,334	447,448
Net Income	842,142	792,064	747,766
Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock	6,006	4,839	3,393
Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock	\$836,136	\$787,225	\$744,373

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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Increase (decrease) in notes payable, net Proceeds	1,879,900)	(1,240,928)	(927,375
Proceeds	(17.600)	406,768	97,713
	(17,690)	400,700	71,113
Senior notes	1,500,000	150,000	625,000
		150,000	025,000
Preferred and preference stock	225,000		196,000
Pollution control bonds	190,800	153,910	185,000
Gross excess tax benefit of stock options	4,695	2,796	- 149,475
Capital contributions from parent company	322,448	312,544	149,473
Redemptions		(162.010)	(105 000
Pollution control bonds	(2.195)	(153,910)	(185,000
Capital leases	(2,185)	(136)	(1,095
Senior notes	(300,000)	(150,000)	(450,000
First mortgage bonds	-	(20,000)	-
Preferred and preference stock	-	(14,569)	-
Other long-term debt	(762,887)	- /0.050°	(3.5.5
Payment of preferred and preference stock dividends	(3,143)	(2,958)	(3,246
Payment of common stock dividends	(689,900)	(630,000)	(582,800
Other No. 11 16 (and 6 ) Secretary in the secretary in th	(37,482)	(8,049)	(21,760
Net cash provided from (used for) financing activities	429,656	46,396	(186,713
Net Change in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(1,458) 16,850	5,712 11,138	(31,222 42,360
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of Year  Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Year \$	15,392	\$ 16,850	\$ 11,138
Supplemental Cash Flow Information:	1.0,076	Ψ 10,000	Ψ 11,10
Cash paid during the period for			
		\$317,536	\$263,802
Income taxes (net of refunds)	\$317,938	4517,050	196,930

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEETS
At December 31, 2007 and 2006
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Assets	2007	2006		
	(in thousands)			
Current Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 15,392	\$ 16,850		
Restricted cash	48,279	-		
Receivables				
Customer accounts receivable	491,389	474,046		
Unbilled revenues	137,046	130,585		
Under recovered regulatory clause revenues	384,538	353,976		
Other accounts and notes receivable	147,498	93,656		
Affiliated companies	21,699	21,941		
Accumulated provision for uncollectible accounts	(7,636	(10,030)		
Fossil fuel stock, at average cost	393,222	392,011		
Materials and supplies, at average cost	337,652	304,514		
Vacation pay	69,394	61,907		
Prepaid income taxes	51,101	61,104		
Other	55,169			
Total current assets	2,144,743			
Property, Plant, and Equipment:	·			
In service	22,011,215	21,279,792		
Less accumulated provision for depreciation	8,696,668	8,343,309		
	13,314,547	12,936,483		
Nuclear fuel, at amortized cost	198,983	180,129		
Construction work in progress	1,797,642	923,948		
Total property, plant, and equipment	15,311,172	14,040,560		
Other Property and Investments:				
Equity investments in unconsolidated subsidiaries	53,813	70,879		
Nuclear decommissioning trusts, at fair value	588,952	544,013		
Other	47,914	58,848		
Total other property and investments	690,679	673,740		
Deferred Charges and Other Assets:		<u> </u>		
Deferred charges related to income taxes	532,539	510,531		
Prepaid pension costs	1,026,985	688,671		
Deferred under recovered regulatory clause revenues	307,294	544,152		
Other regulatory assets	541,014	629,003		
Other	268,335	235,788		
Total deferred charges and other assets	2,676,167			
Total Assets	\$20,822,761	\$19,308,730		

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BALANCE SHEETS

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Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	2007	2006
	(in thousands	
Current Liabilities:		
Securities due within one year	\$ 198,576	\$ 303,906
Notes payable	715,591	733,281
Accounts payable		
Affiliated	236,332	238,093
Other	463,945	402,222
Customer deposits	171,553	155,763
Accrued taxes		
Income taxes	68,782	217,603
Other	219,585	275,098
Accrued interest	74,674	74,643
Accrued vacation pay	56,303	49,704
Accrued compensation	114,974	141,356
Other	103,225	125,494
Total current liabilities	2,423,540	2,717,163
Long-term Debt (See accompanying statements)	5,937,792	5,211,912
Deferred Credits and Other Liabilities:	· · · · · ·	
Accumulated deferred income taxes	2,850,655	2,815,724
Deferred credits related to income taxes	146,886	157,297
Accumulated deferred investment tax credits	269,125	282,070
Employee benefit obligations	678,826	698,274
Asset retirement obligations	663,503	626,681
Other cost of removal obligations	414,745	436,137
Other regulatory liabilities	577,642	281,391
Other	158,670	80,839
Fotal deferred credits and other liabilities	5,760,052	5,378,413
Total Liabilities	14,121,384	13,307,488
Preferred and Preference Stock (See accompanying statements)	265,957	44,991
Common Stockholder's Equity (See accompanying statements)	6,435,420	5,956,251
Total Liabilities and Stockholder's Equity	\$20,822,761	\$19,308,730

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF CAPITALIZATION

At December 31, 2007 and 2006

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	2007	2006	2007	2006
	(1	in thousands)	(percent of total)	
Long-Term Debt:				
Long-term debt payable to affiliated trusts				
4.88% to 7.13% due 2042 to 2044	\$ 206,186	\$ 969,073		
Long-term notes payable				
4.875% due July 15, 2007	•	300,000		
6.55% due May 15, 2008	45,000	45,000		
4.10% due August 15, 2009	125,000	125,000		
Variable rate (5.00% at 1/1/08) due 2008	150,000	-		
Variable rate (5.09% at 1/1/08) due 2009	150,000	150,000		
4.00% due 2011	100,000	100,000		
5.125% due 2012	200,000	200,000		
4.90% to 6.375% due 2013-2047	3,200,000	1,850,000		
Total long-term notes payable	3,970,000	2,770,000		
Other long-term debt				
Pollution control revenue bonds:				
3.76% to 5.45% due 2012-2036	774,370	774,370		
Variable rate (3.74% to 5.25% at 1/1/08)		·		
due 2011-2041	1,120,275	929,475		
Total other long-term debt	1,894,645	1,703,845		
Capitalized lease obligations	70,733	76,227		
Unamortized debt discount	(5,196)	(3,327)		
Total long-term debt (annual interest				
requirement \$322.8 million)	6,136,368	5,515,818		
Less amount due within one year	198,576	303,906		
Long-term debt excluding amount due within one year	5,937,792	5,211,912	47.0%	46.5%
Preferred and Preference Stock:	· ·			
Non-cumulative preferred stock				
\$25 par value 6.125%				
Authorized - 50,000,000 shares				
Outstanding - 1,800,000 shares	44,991	44,991		
Non-cumulative preference stock	,	,		
\$100 par value 6.50%				
Authorized - 15,000,000 shares				
Outstanding - 2,250,000 shares	220,966	_		
Total preferred and preference stock				
(annual dividend requirement \$17.4 million)	265,957	44,991	2.1	0.4
Common Stockholder's Equity:		,		
Common stock, without par value				
Authorized: 20,000,000 shares		·		
Outstanding: 9,261,500 shares	398,473	398,473		
Paid-in capital	3,374,777	3,039,845		
Retained earnings	2,676,063	2,529,826		
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	(13,893)	(11,893)		
Total common stockholder's equity	6,435,420	5,956,251	50.9	53.1
Total Capitalization	\$12,639,169	\$11,213,154	100.0%	100.0%
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## STATEMENTS OF COMMON STOCKHOLDER'S EQUITY

For the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005

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				Other	
	Common	Paid-In	Retained	Comprehensive	
	Stock	Capital	Earnings	Income (Loss)	Total
			(in thousands)		
Balance at December 31, 2004	\$398,473	\$2,550,801	\$2,211,042	\$(37,040)	\$5,123,276
Net income after dividends on preferred stock	-	-	744,373	-	744,373
Capital contributions from parent company	-	166,738	-	-	166,738
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	474	474
Cash dividends on common stock	-	-	(582,800)	-	(582,800)
Other	-	-	22	-	22
Balance at December 31, 2005	398,473	2,717,539	2,372,637	(36,566)	5,452,083
Net income after dividends on preferred stock	-	-	787,225	-	787,225
Capital contributions from parent company	-	322,306	-	-	322,306
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	5,184	5,184
Adjustment to initially apply				19,489	19,489
FASB Statement No. 158, net of tax	-	-	(630,000)	17,407	*
Cash dividends on common stock Other	-	-	(630,000)	-	(630,000) (36)
	209 472	3,039,845	(36)	(11.902)	` /
Balance at December 31, 2006 Net income after dividends on preferred	398,473	3,039,845	2,529,826	(11,893)	5,956,251
and preference stock	-	•	836,136	-	836,136
Capital contributions from parent company	-	334,931	-	-	334,931
Other comprehensive income (loss)	-	-	-	(2,000)	(2,000)
Cash dividends on common stock	-	-	(689,900)	-	(689,900)
Other		1	1	-	2
Balance at December 31, 2007	\$398,473	\$3,374,777	\$2,676,063	\$(13,893)	\$6,435,420

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the Years Ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005

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	2007	2006	2005
		(in thousands)	
Net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock	\$836,136	\$787,225	\$744,373
Other comprehensive income (loss):	-		
Qualifying hedges:			
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$(1,831), \$(935),			
and \$1,522, respectively	(2,938)	(1,454)	2,420
Reclassification adjustment for amounts included in net income,			
net of tax of \$278, \$(441), and \$861, respectively	441	(700)	1,065
Marketable securities:			
Changes in fair value, net of tax of \$291, \$(494),			
and \$317, respectively	497	(817)	501
Pension and other postretirement benefit plans:			
Change in additional minimum pension liability,			
net of tax of \$-, \$5,143, and \$(2,216), respectively	<u>-</u>	8,155	(3,512)
Total other comprehensive income (loss)	(2,000)	5,184	474
Comprehensive Income	\$834,136	\$792,409	\$744,847

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### General

Georgia Power Company (the Company) is a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern Company, which is the parent company of four traditional operating companies, Southern Power Company (Southern Power), Southern Company Services, Inc. (SCS), Southern Communications Services, Inc. (SouthernLINC Wireless), Southern Company Holdings, Inc. (Southern Holdings), Southern Nuclear Operating Company, Inc. (Southern Nuclear), and other direct and indirect subsidiaries. The traditional operating companies – Alabama Power, the Company, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power – provide electric service in four Southeastern states. The Company 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. Southern Power constructs, acquires, and manages generation assets and sells electricity at market-based rates in the wholesale market. SCS, the system service company, provides at cost, specialized services to Southern Company and its subsidiary companies. SouthernLINC Wireless provides digital wireless communications services to the traditional operating companies and also markets these services to the public, and provides fiber cable services within the Southeast. Southern Holdings is an intermediate holding company subsidiary for Southern Company's investments in synthetic fuels and leveraged leases and various other energy-related businesses. The investments in synthetic fuels ended on December 31, 2007. Southern Nuclear operates and provides services to Southern Company's nuclear power plants.

The equity method is used for subsidiaries in which the Company has significant influence but does not control and for variable interest entities where the Company is not the primary beneficiary.

The Company is subject to regulation by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the Georgia Public Service Commission (PSC). The Company follows accounting principles generally accepted in the United States and complies with the accounting policies and practices prescribed by its regulatory commissions. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States requires the use of estimates, and the actual results may differ from those estimates.

#### Reclassifications

Certain prior years' data presented in the financial statements have been reclassified to conform to the current year presentation. These reclassifications had no effect on total assets, net income, or cash flows.

The balance sheets and the statements of cash flows have been modified to combine "Long-term Debt Payable to Affiliate Trusts" with "Long-term Debt." Correspondingly, the statements of income were modified to report "Interest expense to affiliate trusts" together with "Interest expense, net of amounts capitalized". The balance sheets were also modified to show a separate line item for "Prepaid Income Taxes", the amount of which was included in "Prepaid Expenses" in the previous year's presentation. Due to immateriality, the statements of cash flows were also modified by combining "Deferred expenses-affiliates" with "Other, net" within the operating activities section.

#### **Affiliate Transactions**

The Company has an agreement with SCS under which the following services are rendered to the Company at direct or allocated cost: general and design engineering, purchasing, accounting and statistical analysis, finance and treasury, tax, information resources, marketing, auditing, insurance and pension administration, human resources, systems and procedures, and other services with respect to business and operations and power pool operations. Costs for these services amounted to \$442 million in 2007, \$386 million in 2006, and \$348 million in 2005. Cost allocation methodologies used by SCS were approved by the Securities and Exchange Commission prior to the repeal of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, as amended, and management believes they are reasonable. The FERC permits services to be rendered at cost by system service companies.

The Company has an agreement with Southern Nuclear under which the following nuclear-related services are rendered to the Company at cost: general executive and advisory services, general operations, management and technical services, administrative services including procurement, accounting, employee relations, systems and procedures services, strategic planning and budgeting services, and other services with respect to business and operations. Costs for these services amounted to \$380 million in 2007, \$348 million in 2006, and \$328 million in 2005.

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The Company had an agreement with Southern Power under which the Company operated and maintained Southern Power's Plants Dahlberg, Franklin, and Wansley at cost. On August 1, 2007, that agreement was terminated and replaced with a service agreement under which the Company provides to Southern Power labor and other specifically requested services. Billings under these agreements with Southern Power amounted to \$6.8 million in 2007, \$5.4 million in 2006, and \$5.2 million in 2005.

The Company has an agreement with SouthernLINC Wireless under which the Company receives digital wireless communications services and purchases digital equipment. Costs for these services amounted to \$7.0 million in 2007, \$7.1 million in 2006, and \$7.7 million in 2005.

Southern Company's 30% ownership interest in Alabama Fuel Products, LLC (AFP), which produced synthetic fuel, was terminated July 1, 2006. The Company had an agreement with an indirect subsidiary of Southern Company that provided services for AFP. Under this agreement, the Company provided certain accounting functions, including processing and paying fuel transportation invoices, and the Company was reimbursed for its expenses. Amounts billed under this agreement totaled approximately \$85 million in 2007, \$76 million in 2006, and \$61 million in 2005. In addition, the Company purchased synthetic fuel from AFP for use at Plant Branch. Synthetic fuel purchases totaled \$179 million, \$195 million, and \$216 million in 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. The synthetic fuel purchases and related party transactions were terminated as of December 31, 2007.

The Company has entered into several power purchase agreements (PPAs) with Southern Power for capacity and energy. Expenses associated with these PPAs were \$440 million, \$407 million, and \$469 million in 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. Additionally, the Company had \$26 million and \$28 million of prepaid capacity expenses included in deferred charges and other assets in the balance sheets at December 31, 2007, and 2006, respectively. See Note 7 under "Purchased Power Commitments" for additional information.

The Company has an agreement with Gulf Power under which Gulf Power jointly owns a portion of Plant Scherer. Under this agreement, the Company operates Plant Scherer, and Gulf Power reimburses the Company for its proportionate share of the related expenses which were \$5.1 million in 2007, \$8.0 million in 2006, and \$4.3 million in 2005. See Note 4 for additional information.

In 2007, the Company sold equipment at cost to Gulf Power for \$4.0 million.

The Company provides incidental services to other Southern Company subsidiaries which are generally minor in duration and amount. However, with the hurricane damage experienced by Alabama Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power in 2005, assistance provided to aid in storm restoration, including company labor, contract labor, and materials, caused an increase in these activities. The total amount of storm assistance provided to Alabama Power, Gulf Power, and Mississippi Power in 2005 was \$4.3 million, \$5.0 million, and \$55.2 million, respectively. These activities were billed at cost. The Company provided no significant storm assistance to an affiliate in 2007 and 2006.

Also see Note 4 for information regarding the Company's ownership in and PPA with Southern Electric Generating Company (SEGCO) and Note 5 for information on certain deferred tax liabilities due to affiliates.

The traditional operating companies, including the Company, and Southern Power may jointly enter into various types of wholesale energy, natural gas, and certain other contracts, either directly or through SCS as agent. Each participating company may be jointly and severally liable for the obligations incurred under these agreements. See Note 7 under "Fuel Commitments" for additional information.

#### Regulatory Assets and Liabilities

The Company is subject to the provisions of Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Statement No. 71, "Accounting for the Effects of Certain Types of Regulation" (SFAS No. 71). Regulatory assets represent probable future revenues associated with certain costs that are expected to be recovered from customers through the ratemaking process. Regulatory liabilities represent probable future reductions in revenues associated with amounts that are expected to be credited to customers through the ratemaking process.

Regulatory assets and (liabilities) reflected in the Company's balance sheets at December 31 relate to the following:

	2007	2006	Note
	(in mil	lions)	
Deferred income tax charges	\$ 533	\$ 511	(a)
Loss on reacquired debt	175	171	(b)
Vacation pay	69	62	(c)
Corporate building lease	49	51	(d)
Generating plant outage costs	44	56	(e)
Underfunded retiree benefit plans	235	310	(f)
Fuel-hedging assets	14	58	(g)
Other regulatory assets	68	42	(d)
Asset retirement obligations	41	53	(a)
Other cost of removal obligations	(415)	(436)	(a)
Deferred income tax credits	(147)	(157)	(a)
Overfunded retiree benefit plans	(540)	(218)	(f)
Fuel-hedging liabilities	(9)	(6)	(g)
Other regulatory liabilities	(12)	(39)	(d)
Total	\$ 105	\$ 458	

Note: The recovery and amortization periods for these regulatory assets and (liabilities) are as follows:

- (a) Asset retirement and removal liabilities are recorded, deferred income tax assets are recovered, and deferred tax liabilities are amortized over the related property lives, which may range up to 60 years. Asset retirement and removal liabilities will be settled and trued up following completion of the related activities.
- (b) Recovered over either the remaining life of the original issue or, if refinanced, over the life of the new issue which may range up to 50 years.
- (c) Recorded as earned by employees and recovered as paid, generally within one year.
- (d) Recorded and recovered or amortized as approved by the Georgia PSC.
- (e) See "Property, Plant, and Equipment" herein.
- (f) Recovered and amortized over the average remaining service period which may range up to 16 years. See Note 2 under "Retirement Benefits."
- (g) Fuel-hedging assets and liabilities are recorded over the life of the underlying hedged purchase contracts, which generally do not exceed 42 months. Upon final settlement, costs are recovered through the fuel cost recovery clause.

In the event that a portion of the Company's operations is no longer subject to the provisions of SFAS No. 71, the Company would be required to write off related regulatory assets and liabilities that are not specifically recoverable through regulated rates. In addition, the Company would be required to determine if any impairment to other assets, including plant, exists and write down the assets, if impaired, to their fair value. All regulatory assets and liabilities are reflected in rates.

### Revenues

Energy and other revenues are recognized as services are provided. Unbilled revenues are accrued at the end of each fiscal period. Electric rates for the Company include provisions to adjust billings for fluctuations in fuel costs and the energy component of purchased power costs, and certain other costs. Revenues are adjusted for differences between the actual recoverable costs and amounts billed in current regulated rates.

Retail fuel cost recovery rates require periodic filings with the Georgia PSC. The Company is required to file its next fuel case by

March 1, 2008. See Note 3 under "Retail Regulatory Matters - Fuel Cost Recovery."

The Company has a diversified base of customers. No single customer or industry comprises 10% or more of revenues. For all periods presented, uncollectible accounts averaged less than 1% of revenues.

#### Fuel Costs

Fuel costs are expensed as the fuel is used. Fuel expense includes the cost of purchased emission allowances as they are used. Fuel expense also includes the amortization of the cost of nuclear fuel and a charge, based on nuclear generation, for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel.

#### **Nuclear Fuel Disposal Costs**

The Company has contracts with the United States, acting through the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), that provide for the permanent disposal of spent nuclear fuel. The DOE failed to begin disposing of spent nuclear fuel in 1998 as required by the contracts, and the Company is pursuing legal remedies against the government for breach of contract.

On July 9, 2007, the U.S. Court of Federal Claims awarded the Company \$30 million, based on its ownership interests, representing all of the direct costs of the expansion of spent nuclear fuel storage facilities from 1998 through 2004. On July 24, 2007, the government filed a motion for reconsideration, which was denied on November 1, 2007. The government filed an appeal on January 2, 2008. No amounts have been recognized in the financial statements as of December 31, 2007. The final outcome of this matter cannot be determined at this time, but no material impact on net income is expected as any award received is expected to be returned to customers.

Sufficient pool storage capacity for spent fuel is available at Plant Vogtle to maintain full-core discharge capability for both units into 2014. Construction of an on-site dry storage facility at Plant Vogtle is expected to begin in sufficient time to maintain pool full-core discharge capability. At Plant Hatch, an on-site dry storage facility is operational and can be expanded to accommodate spent fuel through the expected life of the plant.

#### Property, Plant, and Equipment

Property, plant, and equipment is stated at original cost, less regulatory disallowances and impairments. Original cost includes: materials; labor; minor items of property; appropriate administrative and general costs; payroll- related costs such as taxes, pensions, and other benefits; and the interest capitalized and/or cost of funds used during construction.

The Company's property, plant, and equipment consisted of the following at December 31:

	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
Generation	\$10,180	\$10,064
Transmission	3,593	3,331
Distribution	6,985	6,652
General	1,225	1,205
Plant acquisition adjustment	28	28
Total plant in service	\$22,011	\$21,280

The cost of replacements of property, exclusive of minor items of property, is capitalized. The cost of maintenance, repairs, and replacement of minor items of property is charged to maintenance expense as incurred or performed with the exception of certain generating plant maintenance costs. As mandated by a Georgia PSC order, the Company defers and amortizes nuclear refueling costs over the unit's operating cycle before the next refueling. The refueling cycles are 18 and 24 months for Plants Vogtle and Hatch,

respectively. Also, in accordance with the Georgia PSC order, the Company defers the costs of certain significant inspection costs for the combustion turbines at Plant McIntosh and amortizes such costs over 10 years, which approximates the expected maintenance cycle.

#### **Income and Other Taxes**

The Company uses the liability method of accounting for deferred income taxes and provides deferred income taxes for all significant income tax temporary differences. Investment tax credits utilized are deferred and amortized to income over the average life of the related property. Taxes that are collected from customers on behalf of governmental agencies to be remitted to these agencies are presented net on the statements of income. In accordance with FASB Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes" (FIN 48), the Company recognizes tax positions that are "more likely than not" of being sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authorities. See Note 5 under "Unrecognized Tax Benefits" for additional information on the effect of adopting FIN 48.

### **Depreciation and Amortization**

Depreciation of the original cost of utility plant in service is provided primarily by using composite straight-line rates, which approximated 2.6% in each of 2007, 2006, and 2005. Depreciation studies are conducted periodically to update the composite rates that are approved by the Georgia PSC. Effective January 1, 2008, the Company's depreciation rates were revised by the Georgia PSC.

When property subject to depreciation is retired or otherwise disposed of in the normal course of business, its original cost, together with the cost of removal, less salvage, is charged to accumulated depreciation. Minor items of property included in the original cost of the plant are retired when the related property unit is retired.

Under the Company's retail rate plan for the three years ended December 31, 2007 (2004 Retail Rate Plan), the Company was ordered to recognize Georgia PSC-certified capacity costs in rates evenly over the three years covered by the 2004 Retail Rate Plan. The Company recorded credits to amortization of \$19 million and \$14 million in 2007 and 2006, respectively, and an increase to amortization of \$33 million in 2005. See Note 3 under "Retail Regulatory Matters – Rate Plans" for additional information.

### Asset Retirement Obligations and Other Costs of Removal

Asset retirement obligations are computed as the present value of the ultimate costs for an asset's future retirement and are recorded in the period in which the liability is incurred. The costs are capitalized as part of the related long-lived asset and depreciated over the asset's useful life. The Company has received accounting guidance from the Georgia PSC allowing the continued accrual of other future retirement costs for long-lived assets that the Company does not have a legal obligation to retire. Accordingly, the accumulated removal costs for these obligations will continue to be reflected in the balance sheets as a regulatory liability.

The liability recognized to retire long-lived assets primarily relates to the Company's nuclear facilities, which include the Company's ownership interests in Plants Hatch and Vogtle. The fair value of assets legally restricted for settling retirement obligations related to nuclear facilities as of December 31, 2007 was \$589 million. In addition, the Company has retirement obligations related to various landfill sites, ash ponds, underground storage tanks, and asbestos removal. The Company also has identified retirement obligations related to certain transmission and distribution facilities, leasehold improvements, equipment on customer property, and property associated with the Company's rail lines. However, liabilities for the removal of these assets have not been recorded because the range of time over which the Company may settle these obligations is unknown and cannot be reasonably estimated. The Company will continue to recognize in the statements of income the allowed removal costs in accordance with its regulatory treatment. Any difference between costs recognized under FASB Statement No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" (SFAS No. 143) and FASB Interpretation No. 47, "Conditional Asset Retirement Obligations" and those reflected in rates are recognized as either a regulatory asset or liability in the balance sheets as ordered by the Georgia PSC. See "Nuclear Decommissioning" herein for further information on amounts included in rates.

Details of the asset retirement obligations included in the balance sheets are as follows:

	2007	2006	
	(in millions)		
Balance beginning of year	\$ 627	\$635	
Liabilities incurred	-	5	
Liabilities settled	(3)	(2)	
Accretion	40	41	
Cash flow revisions		(52)	
Balance end of year	\$ 664	\$627	

#### **Nuclear Decommissioning**

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) requires licensees of commercial nuclear power reactors to establish a plan for providing reasonable assurance of funds for future decommissioning. The Company has external trust funds to comply with the NRC's regulations. Use of the funds is restricted to nuclear decommissioning activities and the funds are managed and invested in accordance with applicable requirements of various regulatory bodies, including the NRC, the FERC, and the Georgia PSC, as well as the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The trust funds are invested in a tax-efficient manner in a diversified mix of equity and fixed income securities and are classified as available-for-sale.

The trust funds are included in the balance sheets at fair value, as obtained from quoted market prices for the same or similar investments. As the external trust funds are actively managed by unrelated parties with limited direction from the Company, the Company does not have the ability to choose to hold securities with unrealized losses until recovery. Through 2005, the Company considered other-than-temporary impairments to be immaterial. However, since the January 1, 2006 effective date of FASB Staff Position FAS 115-1/124-1, "The Meaning of Other-Than-Temporary Impairment and Its Application to Certain Investments" (FSP No. 115-1), the Company considers all unrealized losses to represent other-than-temporary impairments. The adoption of FSP No. 115-1 had no impact on the results of operations, cash flows, or financial condition of the Company as all losses have been and continue to be recorded through a regulatory liability, whether realized, unrealized, or identified as other-than-temporary.

Details of the securities held in these trusts at December 31, 2007 were as follows:

	O	ry	
2007	Unrealized Gains	Impairments	Fair Value
		(in millions)	
Equity	\$ 125.5	\$ (12.2)	\$ 402.4
Debt	4.8	(1.8)	171.8
Other		•	14.8
Total	\$ 130.3	\$ (14.0)	\$ 589.0

	(	Other-than-Temporary	Fair Value
2006	Unrealized Gains	Impairments	
		(in millions)	
Equity	\$ 106.9	\$ (5.0)	\$ 378.3
Debt	3.0	(0.7)	165.4
Other	-	-	0.3
Total	109.9	\$ (5.7)	\$ 544.0

The contractual maturities of debt securities at December 31, 2007 were as follows: \$2.6 million in 2008, \$38.5 million in 2009-2012, \$41.1 million in 2013-2017, and \$85.4 million thereafter.

Sales of the securities held in the trust funds resulted in cash proceeds of \$441.4 million, \$457.4 million, and \$372.5 million in 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively, all of which were re-invested. Realized gains and other-than-temporary impairment losses were \$43.7 million and \$39.1 million, respectively, in 2007 and \$17.8 million and \$12.1 million, respectively, in 2006. Net realized

gains/(losses) were \$12.6 million in 2005. Realized gains and other-than-temporary impairment losses are determined on a specific identification basis. In accordance with regulatory guidance, all realized and unrealized gains and losses are included in the regulatory liability for asset retirement obligations in the balance sheets and are not included in net income or other comprehensive income. Unrealized gains and other-than-temporary impairment losses are considered non-cash transactions for purposes of the statements of cash flows. Unrealized losses were not material in any period presented and did not require the recognition of any impairment to the underlying investments.

Amounts previously recorded in internal reserves are being transferred into the external trust funds over periods approved by the Georgia PSC. The NRC's minimum external funding requirements are based on a generic estimate of the cost to decommission only the radioactive portions of a nuclear unit based on the size and type of reactor. The Company has filed plans with the NRC designed to ensure that, over time, the deposits and earnings of the external trust funds will provide the minimum funding amounts prescribed by the NRC.

Site study cost is the estimate to decommission a specific facility as of the site study year. The estimated costs of decommissioning are based on the most current study performed in 2006. The site study costs and accumulated provisions for decommissioning as of December 31, 2007 based on the Company's ownership interests were as follows:

	Plant Hatch	Plant Vogtle
Decommissioning periods:		
Beginning year	2034	2027
Completion year	2061	2051
Site study costs:	(in m	illions)
Radiated structures	\$ 544	\$ 507
Non-radiated structures	46	67
Total site study costs	\$ 590	\$ 574
Accumulated provision	\$ 368	\$ 222

The decommissioning cost estimates are based on prompt dismantlement and removal of the plant from service. The actual decommissioning costs may vary from these estimates because of changes in the assumed date of decommissioning, changes in NRC requirements, or changes in the assumptions used in making these estimates.

For ratemaking purposes, the Company's decommissioning costs are based on the NRC generic estimate to decommission the radioactive portion of the facilities. The Georgia PSC approved annual decommissioning costs for ratemaking were \$7 million annually for Plant Vogtle for 2005 through 2007. Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the annual decommissioning cost for ratemaking will decrease to \$3 million for Plant Vogtle. Based on current estimates, the Company projects the external trust funds for Plant Hatch will be adequate to meet the decommissioning obligations with no further contributions. The NRC estimates are \$450 million and \$313 million for Plants Hatch and Vogtle, respectively. Significant assumptions used to determine the costs for ratemaking include an estimated inflation rate of 2.9% and an estimated trust earnings rate of 4.9%. Another significant assumption was that the operating licenses for Plant Vogtle, would remain at 40 years until a 20-year extension requested by the Company in June 2007 is authorized by the NRC. The Company anticipates the NRC may make a decision regarding the license extension for Plant Vogtle as early as 2009.

# Allowance for Funds Used During Construction (AFUDC) and Interest Capitalized

In accordance with regulatory treatment, the Company records AFUDC, which represents the estimated debt and equity costs of capital funds that are necessary to finance the construction of new regulated facilities. While cash is not realized currently from such allowance, it increases the revenue requirement over the service life of the plant through a higher rate base and higher depreciation expense. The equity component of AFUDC is not included in calculating taxable income. For the years 2007, 2006, and 2005, the average AFUDC rates were 8.4%, 8.3%, and 8.0%, respectively, and AFUDC capitalized was \$96.8 million, \$44.1 million, and \$41.1 million, respectively. AFUDC and interest capitalized, net of taxes were 10.3%, 5.0%, and 4.9% of net income after dividends on preferred and preference stock for 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively.

#### Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and Intangibles

The Company evaluates long-lived assets for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of such assets may not be recoverable. The determination of whether an impairment has occurred is based on either a specific regulatory disallowance or an estimate of undiscounted future cash flows attributable to the assets, as compared with the carrying value of the assets. If an impairment has occurred, the amount of the impairment recognized is determined by either the amount of regulatory disallowance or by estimating the fair value of the assets and recording a loss if the carrying value is greater than the fair value. For assets identified as held for sale, the carrying value is compared to the estimated fair value less the cost to sell in order to determine if an impairment loss is required. Until the assets are disposed of, their estimated fair value is re-evaluated when circumstances or events change.

#### Storm Damage Reserve

The Company maintains a reserve for property damage to cover the cost of damages from major storms to its transmission and distribution lines and the cost of uninsured damages to its generation facilities and other property as mandated by the Georgia PSC. Under the 2004 Retail Rate Plan, the Company accrued \$6.6 million annually that was recoverable through base rates. Starting January 1, 2008, the Company will accrue \$21.4 million annually under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan. The Company expects the Georgia PSC to periodically review and adjust, if necessary, the amounts collected in rates for storm damage costs.

### Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the financial statements, temporary cash investments are considered cash equivalents. Temporary cash investments are securities with original maturities of 90 days or less.

#### **Materials and Supplies**

Generally, materials and supplies include the average costs of transmission, distribution, and generating plant materials. Materials are charged to inventory when purchased and then expensed or capitalized to plant, as appropriate, when installed.

#### **Fuel Inventory**

Fuel inventory includes the average costs of oil, coal, natural gas, and emission allowances. Fuel is charged to inventory when purchased and then expensed as used and recovered by the Company through fuel cost recovery rates approved by the Georgia PSC. Emission allowances granted by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) are included in inventory at zero cost.

### **Stock Options**

Southern Company provides non-qualified stock options to a large segment of the Company's employees ranging from line management to executives. Prior to January 1, 2006, the Company accounted for options granted in accordance with Accounting Principles Board Opinion No. 25; thus, no compensation expense was recognized because the exercise price of all options granted equaled the fair market value on the date of the grant.

Effective January 1, 2006, the Company adopted the fair value recognition provisions of FASB Statement No. 123(R), "Share-Based Payment" (SFAS No. 123(R)), using the modified prospective method. Under that method, compensation cost for the years-ended December 31, 2007 and 2006 was recognized as the requisite service was rendered and included: (a) compensation cost for the portion of share-based awards granted prior to and that were outstanding as of January 1, 2006, for which the requisite service had not been rendered, based on the grant-date fair value of those awards as calculated in accordance with the original provisions of FASB Statement No. 123, "Accounting for Stock-Based Compensation", and (b) compensation cost for all share-based awards granted subsequent to January 1, 2006, based on the grant-date fair value estimated in accordance with the provisions of SFAS No. 123(R). Results for prior periods have not been restated.

The compensation cost and tax benefits related to the grant and exercise of Southern Company stock options to the Company's employees are recognized in the Company's financial statements with a corresponding credit to equity, representing a capital contribution from Southern Company.

For the Company, the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R) resulted in a reduction in earnings before income taxes and net income of \$6.0 million and \$3.7 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2007, and \$5.8 million and \$3.6 million, respectively, for the year ended December 31, 2006. Additionally, SFAS No. 123(R) requires the gross excess tax benefits from stock option exercises to be reclassified as a financing cash flow as opposed to an operating cash flow; the reduction in operating cash flows and the increase in financing cash flows for the years ended December 31, 2007 and December 31, 2006 was \$4.7 million and \$2.8 million, respectively.

For the year ended December 31, 2005, prior to the adoption of SFAS No. 123(R), the pro forma impact on net income of fair-value accounting for options granted was as follows:

	Options Impact		
2005	As Reported	After Tax	Pro Forma
		(in millions)	•
Net income	\$ 744	\$ (3)	\$ 741

Because historical forfeitures have been insignificant and are expected to remain insignificant, no forfeitures were assumed in the calculation of compensation expense; rather they are recognized when they occur.

The estimated fair values of stock options granted in 2007, 2006, and 2005 were derived using the Black-Scholes stock option pricing model. Expected volatility was based on historical volatility of Southern Company's stock over a period equal to the expected term. The Company used historical exercise data to estimate the expected term that represents the period of time that options granted to employees are expected to be outstanding. The risk-free rate was based on the U.S. Treasury yield curve in effect at the time of grant that covers the expected term of the stock options. The following table shows the assumptions used in the pricing model and the weighted average grant-date fair value of stock options granted:

Year Ended December 31	2007	2006	2005
Expected volatility	14.8%	16.9%	17.9%
Expected term (in years)	5.0	5.0	5.0
Interest rate	4.6%	4.6%	3.9%
Dividend yield	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%
Weighted average grant-date fair value	\$ 4.12	\$ 4.15	\$ 3.90

#### **Financial Instruments**

The Company uses derivative financial instruments to limit exposure to fluctuations in interest rates, the prices of certain fuel purchases, and electricity purchases and sales. All derivative financial instruments are recognized as either assets or liabilities and are measured at fair value. Substantially all of the Company's bulk energy purchases and sales contracts that meet the definition of a derivative are exempt from fair value accounting requirements and are accounted for under the accrual method. Other derivative contracts qualify as cash flow hedges of anticipated transactions or are recoverable through the Georgia PSC-approved fuel hedging program. This results in the deferral of related gains and losses in other comprehensive income or regulatory assets and liabilities, respectively, until the hedged transactions occur. Any ineffectiveness arising from cash flow hedges is recognized currently in net income. Other derivative contracts are marked to market through current period income and are recorded on a net basis in the statements of income.

The Company is exposed to losses related to financial instruments in the event of counterparties' nonperformance. The Company has established controls to determine and monitor the creditworthiness of counterparties in order to mitigate the Company's exposure to counterparty credit risk.

The Company's financial instruments for which the carrying amount did not equal fair value at December 31 were as follows:

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Carrying Amount	Fair Value
	(in mil	lions)
Long-term debt:		
$200\bar{7}$	\$ 6,066	\$ 5,969
2006	\$ 5,440	\$ 5,376

The fair values were based on either closing market prices or closing prices of comparable instruments.

#### Comprehensive Income

The objective of comprehensive income is to report a measure of all changes in common stock equity of an enterprise that result from transactions and other economic events of the period other than transactions with owners. Comprehensive income consists of net income, changes in the fair value of qualifying cash flow hedges and marketable securities, and prior to the adoption of SFAS No.158, "Employers' Accounting for Defined Benefit Pension and Other Postretirement Plans" (SFAS No. 158) the minimum pension liability, less income taxes and reclassifications for amounts included in net income.

#### Variable Interest Entities

The primary beneficiary of a variable interest entity must consolidate the related assets and liabilities. The Company has established certain wholly-owned trusts to issue preferred securities. However, the Company is not considered the primary beneficiary of the trusts. Therefore, the investments in these trusts are reflected as Other Investments, and the related loans from the trusts are reflected as Long-term Debt in the balance sheets. See Note 6 under "Long-Term Debt Payable to Affiliated Trusts" for additional information.

#### 2. RETIREMENT BENEFITS

The Company has a defined benefit, trusteed 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, 2008. The 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, the Company provides certain medical care and life insurance benefits for retired employees through other postretirement benefit plans. The Company funds related trusts to the extent required by the FERC. For the year ending December 31, 2008, postretirement trust contributions are expected to total approximately \$23.0 million.

The measurement date for plan assets and obligations is September 30 for each year presented. Pursuant to SFAS No. 158, the Company will be required to change the measurement date for its defined benefit postretirement plans from September 30 to December 31 beginning with the year ending December 31, 2008.

#### **Pension Plans**

The total accumulated benefit obligation for the pension plans was \$2.0 billion in 2007 and \$2.0 billion in 2006. Changes during the year in the projected benefit obligations and the fair value of plan assets were as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in mi	illions)
Change in benefit obligation		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 2,136	\$2,172
Service cost	51	53
Interest cost	126	117
Benefits paid	(98)	(95)
Plan amendments	15	2
Actuarial (gain) loss	(52)	(113)
Balance at end of year	2,178	2,136
Change in plan assets		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	2,710	2,493
Actual return on plan assets	456	306
Employer contributions	5	6
Benefits paid	(98)	(95)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	3,073	2,710
Funded status at end of year	895	574
Fourth quarter contributions	2	2
Prepaid pension asset, net	\$ 897	\$ 576

At December 31, 2007, the projected benefit obligations for the qualified and non-qualified pension plans were \$2.0 billion and \$133 million, respectively. All plan assets are related to the qualified pension plan.

Pension plan assets are managed and invested in accordance with all applicable requirements, including ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (Internal Revenue Code). The Company's investment policy covers a diversified mix of assets, including equity and fixed income securities, real estate, and private equity. Derivative instruments are used primarily as hedging tools but may also be used to gain efficient exposure to the various asset classes. The Company primarily minimizes the risk of large losses through diversification but also monitors and manages other aspects of risk. The actual composition of the Company's pension plan assets as of the end of the year, along with the targeted mix of assets, is presented below:

	Target	2007	2006
Domestic equity	36%	38%	38%
International equity	24	24	23
Fixed income	15	15	16
Real estate	15	16	16
Private equity	10	7	7
Total	100%	100%	100%

Amounts recognized in the balance sheets related to the Company's pension plans consist of the following:

	2007	2006
	(in mi	llions)
Prepaid pension costs	\$ 1,027	\$ 689
Other regulatory assets	64	56
Current liabilities, other	(7)	(6)
Other regulatory liabilities	(540)	(218)
Employee benefit obligations	(123)	(107)

Presented below are the amounts included in regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities at December 31, 2007 and 2006 related to the defined benefit pension plans that have not yet been recognized in net periodic pension cost along with the estimated amortization of such amounts for 2008.

	Prior S	<u>Servi</u>	ce Cost Ne	t(G	ain)/Los
Balance at December 31, 2007:			(in millions)		
Regulatory asset	\$	24		\$	40
Regulatory liabilities		81			(621)
Total	\$	105		\$	(581)
Balance at December 31, 2006:			(in millions)		
Regulatory asset	\$	11		\$	45
Regulatory liabilities		92			(310)
Total	\$	103		\$	(265)
Estimated amortization in net periodic pension cost in 2008:			(in millions)		
Regulatory assets	\$	3		\$	3
Regulatory liabilities		_11			
Total	\$	14		\$	3

The changes in the balances of regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities related to the defined benefit pension plans for the year ended December 31, 2007 are presented in the following table:

	Regulato	ry Assets	Regulate	ory Liabilities
	(in millions)			
Beginning balance	\$	56	\$	(218)
Net gain		(1)		(311)
Change in prior service costs		15		· -
Reclassification adjustments:				
Amortization of prior service costs		(3)		(11)
Amortization of net gain		(3)		-
Total reclassification adjustments		(6)		(11)
Total change		8		(322)
Ending balance	\$	64	\$	(540)

Components of net periodic pension cost (income) were as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
	·		
Service cost	\$ 51	\$ 53	\$ 47
Interest cost	126	117	112
Expected return on plan assets	(195)	(184)	(186)
Recognized net (gain) loss	3	6	4
Net amortization	14	8	9
Net periodic pension cost (income)	\$ (1)	\$ -	\$ (14)

Net periodic pension cost (income) is the sum of service cost, interest cost, and other costs netted against the expected return on plan assets. The expected return on plan assets is determined by multiplying the expected rate of return on plan assets and the market-related value of plan assets. In determining the market-related value of plan assets, the Company has elected to amortize changes in the market value of all plan assets over five years rather than recognize the changes immediately. As a result, the accounting value of plan assets that is used to calculate the expected return on plan assets differs from the current fair value of the plan assets.

Future benefit payments reflect expected future service and are estimated based on assumptions used to measure the projected benefit obligation for the pension plans. At December 31, 2007, estimated benefit payments were as follows:

	Benefit Payments (in millions)
2008	\$ 110
2009	115
2010	119
2011	134
2012	142
2013 to 2017	\$ 682

### **Other Postretirement Benefits**

Changes during the year in the accumulated postretirement benefit obligations (APBO) and in the fair value of plan assets were as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in millions)	
Change in benefit obligation		
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$ 807	\$ 812
Service cost	10	11
Interest cost	47	43
Benefits paid	(35)	(34)
Actuarial (gain) loss	(33)	(27)
Retiree drug subsidy	2	2
Balance at end of year	798	807
Change in plan assets		
Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year	388	362
Actual return on plan assets	54	35
Employer contributions	18	48
Benefits paid	(33)	(57)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year	427	388
Funded status at end of year	(371)	(419)
Fourth quarter contributions	31	20
Accrued liability (recognized in the balance sheets)	\$ (340)	\$ (399)

Other postretirement benefits plan assets are managed and invested in accordance with all applicable requirements, including ERISA and the Internal Revenue Code. The Company's investment policy covers a diversified mix of assets, including equity and fixed income securities, real estate, and private equity. Derivative instruments are used primarily as hedging tools but may also be used to gain efficient exposure to the various asset classes. The Company primarily minimizes the risk of large losses through diversification but also monitors and manages other aspects of risk. The actual composition of the Company's other postretirement benefit plan assets as of the end of the year, along with the targeted mix of assets, is presented below:

	Target	2007	2006
Domestic equity	43%	46%	44%
International equity	21	23	20
Fixed income	29	25	27
Real estate	4	4	6
Private equity	3	2	3
Total	100%	100%	_100%

Amounts recognized in the balance sheets related to the Company's other postretirement benefit plans consist of the following:

•	2007	2006		
	(in millions)			
Other regulatory assets	\$ 171	\$ 255		
Employee benefit obligations	(340)	(399)		

Presented below are the amounts included in regulatory assets at December 31, 2007 and 2006 related to the other postretirement benefit plans that have not yet been recognized in net periodic postretirement benefit cost along with the estimated amortization of such amounts for 2008:

		Service ost		Net n)/Loss	Tran: Oblig	sition ation
			(in n	illions)		
Balance at December 31, 2007:						
Regulatory assets	\$	22	\$	94	\$	55
Balance at December 31, 2006:						
Regulatory assets		24	\$	166	\$	64
Estimated amortization in net periodic per	ostretirement be	enefit co	st in 2	2008:		
Regulatory assets	\$	2	\$	5	\$	9

The change in the balance of regulatory assets related to the other postretirement benefit plans for the year ended December 31, 2007 is presented in the following table:

	Regulatory Assets
	(in millions)
Beginning balance	\$ 254
Net gain	(64)
Change in prior service costs	-
Reclassification adjustments:	
Amortization of transition obligation	(9)
Amortization of prior service costs	(2)
Amortization of net gain	(8)
Total reclassification adjustments	(19)
Total change	(83)
Ending balance	\$ 171

Components of the other postretirement benefit plans' net periodic cost were as follows:

	2007	2006	2005	
	(in millions)			
Service cost	\$ 10	\$ 11	\$ 11	
Interest cost	47	44	43	
Expected return on plan assets	(26)	(25)	(23)	
Net amortization	19	22	19_	
Net postretirement cost	\$ 50	\$ 52	\$ 50	

The Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 (Medicare Act) provides a 28% prescription drug subsidy for Medicare eligible retirees. The effect of the subsidy reduced the Company's expenses for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 by approximately \$14 million, \$16 million, and \$11 million, respectively.

Future benefit payments, including prescription drug benefits, reflect expected future service and are estimated based on assumptions used to measure the APBO for the postretirement plans. Estimated benefit payments are reduced by drug subsidy receipts expected as a result of the Medicare Act as follows:

	Benefit Payments	Subsidy Receipts	Total
		(in millions)	
2008	\$ 43	\$ (3)	\$ 40
2009	46	(4)	42
2010	51	(4)	47
2011	55	(5)	50
2012	58	(5)	53
2013 to 2017	\$ 331	\$ (37)	\$ 294

#### **Actuarial Assumptions**

The weighted average rates assumed in the actuarial calculations used to determine both the benefit obligations as of the measurement date and the net periodic costs for the pension and other postretirement benefit plans for the following year are presented below. Net periodic benefit costs were calculated in 2004 for the 2005 plan year using a discount rate of 5.75%.

·	2007	2006	2005
Discount	6.30%	6.00%	5.50%
Annual salary increase	3.75	3.50	3.00
Long-term return on plan assets	8.50	8.50	8.50

The Company determined the long-term rate of return based on historical asset class returns and current market conditions, taking into account the diversification benefits of investing in multiple asset classes.

An additional assumption used in measuring the APBO was a weighted average medical care cost trend rate of 9.75% for 2008, decreasing gradually to 5.25% through the year 2015, and remaining at that level thereafter. An annual increase or decrease in the assumed medical care cost trend rate of 1% would affect the APBO and the service and interest cost components at December 31, 2007 as follows:

	1 Percent Increase	1 Percent Decrease	
	(in mii	lions)	
Benefit obligation	\$ 62	\$ 53	
Service and interest costs	\$ 5	\$ 4	

#### **Employee Savings Plan**

The Company also sponsors a 401(k) defined contribution plan covering substantially all employees. The Company provides an 85% matching contribution up to 6% of an employee's base salary. Prior to November 2006, the Company matched employee contributions at a rate of 75% up to 6% of the employee's base salary. Total matching contributions made to the plan for 2007, 2006, and 2005 were \$24 million, \$21 million, and \$20 million, respectively.

#### 3. CONTINGENCIES AND REGULATORY MATTERS

#### **General Litigation Matters**

The Company is subject to certain claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In addition, the Company's business activities are subject to extensive governmental regulation related to public health and the environment. 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 have become more frequent. The ultimate outcome of such pending or potential litigation against the Company cannot be predicted at this time; however, for current proceedings not specifically reported herein, management does not anticipate that the liabilities, if any, arising from such current proceedings would have a material adverse effect on the Company's financial statements.

#### **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 the Company, alleging that these subsidiaries had violated the New Source Review (NSR) provisions of the Clean Air Act and related state laws at certain coal-fired generating facilities, including the Company's Plants Bowen and Scherer. 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 the Company. 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 action against the Company 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 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 and 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 the remaining four plants.

The plaintiffs appealed the district court's decision to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the appeal was stayed by the Appeals Court 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. On October 5, 2007, the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama issued an order in the Alabama Power case indicating a willingness to re-evaluate its previous decision in light of the Supreme Court's Duke Energy opinion. On December 21, 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.

The Company believes it has 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 \$32,500 per day, per violation at each generating unit, depending on the date of the alleged violation. An adverse outcome in either of these cases 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

In July 2004, attorneys general from eight states, each outside of the Company's service territory, and the corporation counsel for New York City filed a complaint in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York against Southern Company, including the Company, and four other electric power companies. A nearly identical complaint was filed by three environmental groups in the same court. 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. Plaintiffs have not, however, requested that damages be awarded in connection with their claims. The 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 no decision has been issued. The ultimate outcome of these matters cannot be determined at this time.

#### **Environmental Remediation**

Through 2007, the Company recovered environmental costs through its base rates. Beginning in 2005, such rates included an annual accrual of \$5.4 million for environmental remediation. Beginning in January 2008, the Company is recovering environmental remediation costs through a new tariff (see "Rate Plans" herein) that includes an annual accrual of \$1.2 million for environmental remediation. Environmental remediation expenditures will be charged against the reserve as they are incurred. The annual accrual amount will be reviewed and adjusted in future regulatory proceedings. Under Georgia PSC ratemaking provisions, \$22 million had previously been deferred in a regulatory liability account for use in meeting future environmental remediation costs of the Company and was amortized over a three-year period that ended December 31, 2007. As of December 31, 2007, the balance of the environmental remediation liability was \$13.5 million.

The Company has been designated as a potentially responsible party 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 the CERCLA NPL are anticipated.

The final outcome of these matters cannot now be determined. However, based on the currently known conditions at these sites and nature and extent of activities relating to these sites, management does not believe that additional liabilities, if any, at these sites would be material to the Company's financial statements.

#### **FERC Matters**

#### Market-Based Rate Authority

The Company 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 the 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 late June and July 2007, hearings were held in this proceeding and the presiding administrative law judge issued an initial decision on November 9, 2007 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 Company 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 refunds of up to \$5.8 million, plus interest. The Company believes that there is no meritorious basis for this proceeding and is vigorously defending itself in this matter.

On June 21, 2007, the FERC issued its final rule regarding market-based rate authority. The FERC generally retained its current market-based rate standards. The impact of this order and its effect on the generation dominance proceeding cannot now be determined.

# Intercompany Interchange Contract

The Company's generation fleet is operated under the Intercompany Interchange Contract (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 (including the Company), Southern Power, and SCS, as agent, under the terms of which the power pool of Southern Company is operated, (2) whether any parties to the IIC have violated the FERC's standards of conduct applicable to utility 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. Southern Company filed with the FERC in November 2006 a compliance plan in connection with the order. On April 19, 2007, the FERC approved, with certain modifications, the plan submitted by Southern Company. Implementation of the plan is not expected to have a material impact on the Company's financial statements. On November 19, 2007, Southern Company notified the FERC that the plan had been implemented and the FERC division of audits subsequently began an audit pertaining to compliance implementation and related matters, which is ongoing.

#### **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, including the Company, filed complaints at the FERC requesting that the FERC modify the agreements and that the Company refund a total of \$7.9 million previously paid for interconnection facilities. No other similar complaints are pending with the FERC.

On January 19, 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 the 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 have appealed the orders to the U.S. Circuit Court for the District of Columbia. The final outcome of this matter cannot now be determined.

#### Right of Way Litigation

In late 2001, certain subsidiaries of Southern Company, including Alabama Power, the Company, Gulf Power, Mississippi Power, and Southern Telecom, Inc. (a subsidiary of SouthernLINC Wireless), were named as defendants in a lawsuit brought by a telecommunications company that uses certain of the defendants' 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. The Company believes 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 could result in substantial judgments; however, the final outcome cannot now be determined.

#### **Income Tax Matters**

The Company's 2005 through 2007 income tax filings for the State of Georgia included state income tax credits for increased activity through Georgia ports. The Company has also filed similar claims for the years 2002 through 2004. The Georgia Department of Revenue has not responded to these claims. On July 24, 2007, the Company filed a complaint in the Superior Court of Fulton County to recover the credits claimed for the years 2002 through 2004. If the Company prevails, these claims could have a significant, and possibly material, positive effect on the Company's net income. If the Company is not successful, payment of the related state tax could have a significant, and possibly material, negative effect on the Company's cash flow. The ultimate outcome of this matter cannot now be determined. See Note 5 under "Unrecognized Tax Benefits" for additional information.

# **Property Tax Matters**

The Monroe County Board of Tax Assessors (Monroe Board) had issued assessments reflecting substantial increases in the ad valorem tax valuation of the Company's 22.95% ownership interest in Plant Scherer, which is located in Monroe County, Georgia (Monroe County) for tax years 2003 through 2007.

In November 2004, the Company filed suit against the Monroe Board in the Superior Court of Monroe County. The Company requested injunctive relief prohibiting Monroe County and the Monroe Board from unlawfully changing the value of Plant Scherer and ultimately collecting additional ad valorem taxes from the Company. In December 2005, the court granted Monroe County's motion for summary judgment. The Company filed an appeal of the Superior Court's decision to the Georgia Supreme Court.

On March 30, 2007, the Georgia Court of Appeals reversed the trial court and ruled that the Monroe Board had exceeded its legal authority and remanded the case for entry of an injunction prohibiting the Monroe Board from collecting taxes based on its independent valuation of Plant Scherer. On July 16, 2007, the Georgia Supreme Court agreed to hear the Monroe Board's requested review of this decision. On January 9, 2008, the Georgia Supreme Court upheld the appeals court decision. This litigation is now concluded.

#### **Retail Regulatory Matters**

#### Merger

Effective July 1, 2006, Savannah Electric, which was also a wholly owned subsidiary of Southern Company, was merged into the Company. The Company has accounted for the merger in a manner similar to a pooling of interests, and the Company's financial statements included herein now reflect the merger as though it had occurred on January 1, 2004.

#### Rate Plans

In December 2004, the Georgia PSC approved the 2004 Retail Rate Plan for the Company. Under the terms of the 2004 Retail Rate Plan, the Company's earnings were evaluated against a retail return on equity (ROE) range of 10.25% to 12.25%. Two-thirds of any earnings above 12.25% were applied to rate refunds, with the remaining one-third retained by the Company. Retail rates and customer fees increased by approximately \$203 million effective January 1, 2005 to cover the higher costs of purchased power, operating and maintenance expenses, environmental compliance, and continued investment in new generation, transmission, and distribution facilities to support growth and ensure reliability. In 2007, the Company refunded 2005 earnings above 12.25% retail ROE. There were no refunds related to earnings for the years 2006 and 2007.

In December 2007, the Georgia PSC approved the 2007 Retail Rate Plan for the years 2008 through 2010. Retail base rates increased by approximately \$99.7 million effective January 1, 2008 to provide for cost recovery of transmission, distribution, generation, and other investment, as well as increased operating costs. In addition, the new environmental compliance cost recovery (ECCR) tariff was implemented to recover costs incurred for environmental projects required by state and federal regulations. The ECCR tariff increased rates by approximately \$222 million effective January 1, 2008. Under the 2007 Retail Rate Plan, the Company's earnings will continue to be evaluated against a retail ROE range of 10.25% to 12.25%. Two thirds of any earnings above 12.25% will be applied to rate refunds with the remaining one-third applied to the ECCR tariff. The Company agreed that it will not file for a general base rate increase during this period unless its projected retail ROE falls below 10.25%.

The Company is required to file a general rate case by July 1, 2010, in response to which the Georgia PSC would be expected to determine whether the 2007 Retail Rate Plan should be continued, modified, or discontinued.

### Fuel Cost Recovery

The Company has established fuel cost recovery rates approved by the Georgia PSC. In May 2005, the Georgia PSC approved the Company's request to increase customer fuel rates by approximately 9.5% to recover under recovered fuel costs of approximately \$508 million existing as of May 31, 2005 over a four-year period that began June 1, 2005.

In November 2005, the Georgia PSC voted to approve Savannah Electric's request to increase customer rates to recover estimated under recovered fuel costs of approximately \$71.8 million as of November 30, 2005 over an estimated four-year period beginning December 1, 2005, as well as future projected fuel costs.

In March 2006, the Company and Savannah Electric filed a combined request for fuel cost recovery rate changes with the Georgia PSC to be effective July 1, 2006, concurrent with the merger of the companies. In June 2006, the Georgia PSC ruled on the request and approved an increase in the Company's total annual fuel billings of approximately \$400 million. The Georgia PSC order provided for a combined ongoing fuel forecast but reduced the requested increase related to such forecast by \$200 million. The Georgia PSC also set a merger transition adjustment (MTA) applicable to customers in the former Savannah Electric service territory so that the fuel rate that became effective on July 1, 2006 plus the MTA equaled the applicable fuel rate paid by such customers as of June 30, 2006. Amounts collected under the MTA were being credited to customers in the original Georgia Power service territory through a merger transition credit through December 31, 2007. The order also required the Company to file for a new fuel cost recovery rate on a semi-annual basis, beginning in September 2006. Accordingly, on September 15, 2006, the Company filed a request to recover fuel costs incurred through August 2006 by increasing the fuel cost recovery rate. On November 13, 2006, under agreement with the Georgia

PSC staff, the Company filed a supplementary request reflecting a forecast of annual fuel costs, as well as updated information for previously incurred fuel costs.

On February 6, 2007, the Georgia PSC approved an increase in the Company's total annual billings of approximately \$383 million effective March 1, 2007. The Georgia PSC order reduced the Company's requested increase in the forecast of annual fuel costs by \$40 million and disallowed \$4 million of previously incurred fuel costs. Estimated under recovered fuel costs through February 2007 are being recovered through May 2009 for customers in the original Georgia Power territory and through November 2009 for customers in the former Savannah Electric territory. On December 31, 2006, the Company had an under recovered fuel balance of approximately \$898 million, of which approximately \$544 million was included in deferred charges and other assets in the balance sheets. As of December 31, 2007, the Company had an under recovered fuel balance of approximately \$692 million, of which approximately \$307 million is included in deferred charges and other assets in the balance sheets. The order also requires the Company to file for a new fuel cost recovery rate no later than March 1, 2008.

# Fuel Hedging Program

The Georgia PSC has approved a natural gas, oil procurement, and hedging program that allows the Company to use financial instruments to hedge price and commodity risk associated with these fuels, subject to certain limits in terms of time, volume, dollars, and physical amounts hedged. The costs of the program, including any net losses, are recovered as a fuel cost through the fuel cost recovery clause. Annual net financial gains from the hedging program, through June 30, 2006, were shared with the retail customers receiving 75% and the Company retaining 25% of the total net gains. Effective July 1, 2006, the profit sharing framework related to the fuel hedging program was terminated. In 2005, the Company had a total net gain of \$74.6 million, of which the Company retained \$18.6 million. The Company realized net losses in 2006 and 2007 of \$66 million and \$68 million, respectively.

### **Nuclear Project Cost Deferral**

In June 2006, the Georgia PSC approved the Company's request to defer for future recovery the early site permit and combined construction and operating license costs, of which the Company's portion is estimated to total approximately \$51 million. At December 31, 2007, approximately \$28.4 million is included in deferred charges and other assets. At this point, no final decision has been made regarding actual construction. Any new generation resource must be certified by the Georgia PSC in a separate proceeding.

#### 4. JOINT OWNERSHIP AGREEMENTS

The Company and Alabama Power own equally all of the outstanding capital stock of SEGCO which owns electric generating units with a total rated capacity of 1,020 megawatts, as well as associated transmission facilities. The capacity of the units has been sold equally to the Company and Alabama Power under a contract which, in substance, requires payments sufficient to provide for the operating expenses, taxes, debt service, and return on investment, whether or not SEGCO has any capacity and energy available. The term of the contract extends automatically for two-year periods, subject to either party's right to cancel upon two year's notice.

The Company's share of expenses included in purchased power from affiliates in the statements of income is as follows:

	_2007	2006	2005	
		(in millions)		
Energy	\$ 66	\$ 58	\$ 54	
Capacity	42	38	38	
Total	\$ 108	\$ 96	\$ 92	

The Company owns undivided interests in Plants Vogtle, Hatch, Scherer, and Wansley in varying amounts jointly with Oglethorpe Power Corporation (OPC), the Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia (MEAG), the city of Dalton, Georgia, Florida Power & Light Company, Jacksonville Electric Authority, and Gulf Power. Under these agreements, the Company has contracted to operate and maintain the plants as agent for the co-owners and is jointly and severally liable for third party claims related to these plants. In addition, the Company jointly owns the Rocky Mountain pumped storage hydroelectric plant with OPC who is the operator of the plant. The Company and Progress Energy Florida, Inc. jointly own a combustion turbine unit (Intercession City) operated by Progress Energy Florida, Inc.

At December 31, 2007 the Company's percentage ownership and investment (exclusive of nuclear fuel) in jointly owned facilities in commercial operation were as follows:

Facility (Type)	Company Ownership	Investment	Accumulated Depreciation
		(in millions)	
Plant Vogtle (nuclear)	45.7%	\$ 3,288	\$ 1,900
Plant Hatch (nuclear)	50.1	938	509
Plant Wansley (coal)	53.5	406	185
Plant Scherer (coal)			
Units 1 and 2	8.4	116	64
Unit 3	75.0	566	309
Rocky Mountain (pumped storage)	25.4	170	99
Intercession City (combustion-turbine)	33.3	12	3

At December 31, 2007, the portion of total construction work in progress related to Plants Wansley, Scherer, and Rocky Mountain was \$170.3 million, \$66.5 million, and \$4.0 million, respectively, primarily for environmental projects.

The Company's proportionate share of its plant operating expenses is included in the corresponding operating expenses in the statements of income.

#### 5. INCOME TAXES

Southern Company files a consolidated federal income tax return and combined income tax returns for the States of Alabama, Georgia, and Mississippi. Under a joint consolidated income tax allocation agreement, each subsidiary's current and deferred tax expense is computed on a stand-alone basis and no subsidiary is allocated more expense than would be paid if they filed a separate income tax return. In accordance with IRS regulations, each company is jointly and severally liable for the tax liability.

#### **Current and Deferred Income Taxes**

The transfer of the Plant McIntosh construction project from Southern Power to the Company in 2005 resulted in a deferred gain to Southern Power for federal income tax purposes. The Company is reimbursing Southern Power for the remaining balance of the related deferred taxes of \$4.6 million as it is reflected in Southern Power's future taxable income. \$4.1 million of this payable to Southern Power is included in Other Deferred Credits and \$0.5 million is included in Affiliated Accounts Payable in the balance sheets at December 31, 2007.

The transfer of the Dahlberg, Wansley, and Franklin projects to Southern Power from the Company in 2001 and 2002 also resulted in a deferred gain for federal income tax purposes. Southern Power is reimbursing the Company for the remaining balance of the related deferred taxes of \$9.5 million as it is reflected in the Company's future taxable income. \$7.7 million of this receivable from Southern Power is included in Other Deferred Debits and \$1.8 million is included in Affiliated Accounts Receivable in the balance sheets at December 31, 2007.

Details of income tax provisions are as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
		(in millions)	)
Federal –			
Current	\$ 442	\$ 393	\$ 166
Deferred	(72)	7	226
	370	400	392
State –			
Current	54	33	24
Deferred	(6)	9	32
Deferred investment tax credits	-		-
	48	42	56
Total	\$ 418	\$ 442	\$ 448

The tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the financial statements and their respective tax bases, which give rise to deferred tax assets and liabilities, are as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in m	illions)
Deferred tax liabilities –		
Accelerated depreciation	\$ 2,376	\$ 2,303
Property basis differences	568	568
Employee benefit obligations	374	243
Fuel clause under recovery	281	365
Premium on reacquired debt	71	69
Regulatory assets associated with employee benefit obligations	123	156
Asset retirement obligations	257	242
Other	53	75
Total	4,103	4,021
Deferred tax assets –		
Federal effect of state deferred taxes	160	123
Employee benefit obligations	226	226
Other property basis differences	130	138
Other deferred costs	131	131
Other comprehensive income	2	9
Regulatory liabilities associated with employee benefit obligations	209	84
Unbilled fuel revenue	34	27
Asset retirement obligations	257	242
Other	35	41
Total	1,184	1,021_
Total deferred tax liabilities, net	2,919	3,000
Portion included in current liabilities, net	(69)	(185)
Accumulated deferred income taxes in the balance sheets	\$ 2,850	\$ 2,815

At December 31, 2007, tax-related regulatory assets were \$533 million and tax-related regulatory liabilities were \$147 million. The assets are attributable to tax benefits flowed through to customers in prior years and to taxes applicable to capitalized interest. The liabilities are attributable to deferred taxes previously recognized at rates higher than current enacted tax law and to unamortized investment tax credits.

In accordance with regulatory requirements, deferred investment tax credits are amortized over the life of the related property with such amortization normally applied as a credit to reduce depreciation in the statements of income. Credits amortized in this manner amounted to \$13.0 million annually in 2007, 2006, and 2005. At December 31, 2007, all investment tax credits available to reduce federal income taxes payable had been utilized.

#### **Effective Tax Rate**

A reconciliation of the federal statutory income tax rate to the effective income tax rate was as follows:

	2007	2006	2005
Federal statutory rate	35.0%	35.0%	35.0%
State income tax, net of federal deduction	2.4	2.2	3.1
Non-deductible book depreciation	1.1	1.1	1.2
AFUDC Equity	(1.9)	(0.9)	(0.9)
Donations	(1.7)	-	-
Other	(1.7)	(1.6)	(0.9)
Effective income tax rate	33.2%	35.8%	37.5%

The decrease in 2007's effective tax rate is the result of the tax benefits associated with donations and an increase in state tax credits and the federal manufacturer's tax deduction.

In 2007, the Company donated 2,200 acres of land in the Tallulah Gorge State Park to the State of Georgia. The estimated value of this donation along with an increase in non-taxable AFUDC equity and available state tax credits as well as higher federal tax deductions caused a lower effective income tax rate for the year ended 2007, when compared to prior years. For additional information regarding litigation related to state tax credits, see Note 3 under "Income Tax Matters."

The American Jobs Creation Act of 2004 created a tax deduction for the portion of income attributable to United States production activities as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 199 (production activities deduction). The deduction is equal to a stated percentage of the taxpayer's qualified production activities income. The percentage is phased in over the years 2005 through 2010 with a 3% rate applicable to the years 2005 and 2006, a 6% rate applicable for years 2007 through 2009, and a 9% rate applicable for all years after 2009. This increase from 3% in 2006 to 6% was one of several factors that increased the Company's 2007 deduction by \$18.6 million in tax deductions. The resulting tax benefit was \$6.5 million.

### **Unrecognized Tax Benefits**

On January 1, 2007, the Company adopted FIN 48 which requires companies to determine whether it is "more likely than not" that a tax position will be sustained upon examination by the appropriate taxing authorities before any part of the benefit can be recorded in the financial statements. It also provides guidance on the recognition, measurement, and classification of income tax uncertainties, along with any related interest and penalties.

Prior to adoption of FIN 48, the Company had unrecognized tax benefits which were previously accrued under Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies" of approximately \$62 million. Upon adoption of FIN 48, an additional \$3 million of unrecognized tax benefits were recorded, which resulted in a total balance of \$65 million. The \$3 million relates to tax positions for which ultimate deductibility is highly certain, but for which there is uncertainty as to the timing of such deductibility. Of the total \$65 million unrecognized tax benefits, \$62 million would impact the Company's effective tax rate if recognized. For 2007, the total amount of unrecognized tax benefits increased by \$24.2 million, resulting in a balance of \$89.2 million as of December 31, 2007.

Changes during the year in unrecognized tax benefits were as follows:

	2007	
	(in millions)	
Unrecognized tax benefits as of adoption	\$ 65.0	
Tax positions from current periods	20.5	
Tax positions from prior periods	3.7	
Reductions due to settlements	-	
Reductions due to expired statute of limitations		
Balance at end of year	\$ 89.2	

Impact on the Company's effective tax rate, if recognized, is as follows:

	2007	
	(in millions)	
Tax positions impacting the effective tax rate	\$ 86.1	
Tax positions not impacting the effective tax rate	3.1	
Balance at end of year	\$ 89.2	

Accrued interest for unrecognized tax benefits:

	2007
	(in millions)
Interest accrued as of adoption	\$ 2.7
Interest accrued during the year	4.4
Balance at end of year	\$ 7.1

The Company classifies interest on tax uncertainties as interest expense. Net interest accrued for the year ended December 31, 2007 was \$7.1 million. The Company did not accrue any penalties on uncertain tax positions.

The IRS has audited and closed all tax returns prior to 2004. The audits for the state returns have either been concluded, or the statute of limitations has expired, for years prior to 2002.

It is reasonably possible that the amount of the unrecognized benefit with respect to certain of the Company's unrecognized tax positions will significantly increase or decrease within the next 12 months. The possible settlement of the Georgia state tax credits litigation, production activities deduction methodology, and/or the conclusion or settlement of federal or state audits could impact the balances significantly. At this time, an estimate of the range of reasonably possible outcomes cannot be determined. See Note 3 under "Income Tax Matters" herein for additional information.

#### 6. FINANCING

# **Outstanding Classes of Capital Stock**

The Company currently has preferred stock, Class A preferred stock, preference stock, and common stock authorized. The Company has shares of its Class A preferred stock, preference stock, and common stock outstanding. The Company's Class A preferred stock ranks senior to the Company's preference stock and common stock with respect to payment of dividends and voluntary or involuntary dissolution. Certain series of the Class A preferred stock and preference stock are subject to redemption at the option of the Company on or after a specified date (typically 5 or 10 years after the date of issuance) at a redemption price equal to 100% of the liquidation amount of the stock. In addition, the Company may redeem the outstanding series of the preference stock at a redemption price equal to 100% of the liquidation amount plus a make-whole premium based on the present value of the liquidation amount and future dividends.

#### **Dividend Restrictions**

The Company can only pay dividends to Southern Company out of retained earnings or paid-in-capital.

### Long-Term Debt Payable to Affiliated Trusts

The Company has formed certain wholly owned trust subsidiaries for the purpose of issuing preferred securities. The proceeds of the related equity investments and preferred security sales were loaned back to the Company through the issuance of junior subordinated notes totaling \$206 million, which constitute substantially all of the assets of these trusts and are reflected in the balance sheets as "Long-term Debt." The Company considers that the mechanisms and obligations relating to the preferred securities issued for its benefit, taken together, constitute a full and unconditional guarantee by it of the respective trusts' payment obligations with respect to these securities. During 2007, the Company redeemed junior subordinated notes and the related trust preferred securities issued by Georgia Power Capital Trusts V and VI. At December 31, 2007, preferred securities of \$200 million were outstanding. See Note I under "Variable Interest Entities" for additional information on the accounting treatment for these trusts and the related securities.

#### Securities Due Within One Year

A summary of the scheduled maturities and redemptions of securities due within one year at December 31 is as follows:

	2007	2006
	(in mi	llions)
Capital lease	\$ 4	\$ 4
Senior notes	195	300
Total	\$ 199	\$ 304

Redemptions and/or maturities through 2012 applicable to total long-term debt are as follows: \$199 million in 2008; \$279 million in 2009; \$4 million in 2010; \$115 million in 2011; and \$288 million in 2012.

#### **Pollution Control Bonds**

Pollution control obligations represent loans to the Company from public authorities of funds derived from sales by such authorities of revenue bonds issued to finance pollution control facilities. The Company is required to make payments sufficient for the authorities to meet principal and interest requirements of such bonds. The Company has incurred obligations in connection with the sale by public authorities of tax-exempt pollution control revenue bonds. The amount of tax-exempt pollution control revenue bonds outstanding at December 31, 2007 was \$1.9 billion. Proceeds from certain issuances are restricted until the expenditures are incurred.

#### Senior Notes

The Company issued \$1.5 billion aggregate principal amount of unsecured senior notes in 2007. The proceeds of the issuance were used to repay a portion of the Company's short term indebtedness, fund note maturities, redeem long-term debt payable to affiliated trusts, and fund the Company's continuous construction program. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company had \$4.0 billion and \$2.8 billion of senior notes outstanding, respectively. These senior notes are effectively subordinated to all secured debt of the Company, which aggregated \$71 million at December 31, 2007.

#### Capital Leases

Assets acquired under capital leases are recorded in the balance sheets as utility plant in service, and the related obligations are classified as long-term debt. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company had a capitalized lease obligation for its corporate headquarters building of \$69 million and \$72 million, respectively, with an interest rate of 8.1%. For ratemaking purposes, the Georgia PSC has treated the lease as an operating lease and has allowed only the lease payments in cost of service. The difference between the accrued expense and the lease payments allowed for ratemaking purposes has been deferred and is being amortized to expense as ordered by the Georgia PSC. See Note 1 under "Regulatory Assets and Liabilities." At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company had capitalized lease obligations of \$1.9 million for its vehicles and \$4.1 million for its vehicles and the Plant Kraft coal unloading dock, respectively. However, for ratemaking purposes, these obligations are treated as operating leases and, as such, lease payments are charged to expense as incurred. The annual expense incurred for these leases in 2007, 2006, and 2005 was \$9.2 million,

\$9.6 million, and \$9.7 million, respectively. In March 2007, the Savannah Economic Development Authority Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds First Series 1996 were redeemed; therefore, as of December 31, 2007, the Company no longer has a capital lease obligation for the Plant Kraft unloading dock.

### **Bank Credit Arrangements**

At the beginning of 2008, the Company had credit arrangements with banks totaling \$1.2 billion, of which \$8 million was used to support outstanding letters of credit. Of these facilities, \$40 million expires during 2008, with the remaining \$1.1 billion expiring in 2012. The facility that expires in 2008 provides the option of converting borrowings into a two-year term loan. The Company expects to renew its facilities, as needed, prior to expiration. The agreements contain stated borrowing rates. All the agreements require payment of commitment fees based on the unused portion of the commitments or the maintenance of compensating balances with the banks. Commitment fees are less than 1/8 of 1% for the Company. Compensating balances are not legally restricted from withdrawal.

The credit arrangements contain covenants that limit the level of indebtedness to capitalization to 65%, as defined in the arrangements. For purposes of these definitions, indebtedness excludes the long-term debt payable to affiliated trusts and, in certain cases, other hybrid securities. In addition, the credit arrangements contain cross default provisions that would trigger an event of default if the Company defaulted on other indebtedness above a specified threshold. At December 31, 2007, the Company was in compliance with all such covenants. None of the arrangements contain material adverse change clauses at the time of borrowings.

The \$1.2 billion of unused credit arrangements provides liquidity support to the Company's variable rate pollution control bonds and its commercial paper borrowing. The amount of variable rate pollution control bonds outstanding requiring liquidity support as of December 31, 2007 was \$301 million. In addition, the Company borrows under a commercial paper program and an extendible commercial note program. The amount of commercial paper outstanding at December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 was \$616 million, \$733 million, and \$327 million, respectively. There were no outstanding extendible commercial notes at December 31, 2007. Commercial paper is included in notes payable on the balance sheets.

During 2007, the peak amount of short-term debt outstanding was \$1.1 billion and the average amount outstanding was \$638 million. The average annual interest rate on short-term debt in 2007 was 5.3%.

#### **Financial Instruments**

The Company enters into energy-related derivatives to hedge exposures to electricity, gas, and other fuel price changes. However, due to cost-based rate regulations, the Company has limited exposure to market volatility in commodity fuel prices and prices of electricity. See Note 3 under "Retail Regulatory Matters – Fuel Hedging Program" for information on the Company's fuel hedging program. The Company also enters into hedges of forward electricity sales. There was no material ineffectiveness related to energy related derivatives recorded in earnings in any period presented. At December 31, 2007, the \$0.4 million fair value of net losses of derivative energy contracts were reflected in the financial statements as regulatory assets. The fair value gain or loss for hedges that are recoverable through the regulatory fuel clauses are recorded in regulatory assets and liabilities and are recognized in earnings at the same time the hedged items affect earnings. The Company has energy-related hedges in place up to and including 2010. The Company enters into derivatives to hedge exposure to interest rate changes. Derivatives related to variable rate securities or forecasted transactions are accounted for as cash flow hedges. The derivatives employed as hedging instruments are structured to minimize ineffectiveness. As such, no material ineffectiveness has been recorded in earnings for any period presented.

At December 31, 2007, the Company had \$539 million notional amounts of interest derivatives accounted for as cash flow hedges outstanding with net fair value gains/(losses) as follows:

A	otional mount	Variable Rate Received	Weighted Average Fixed Rate Paid	Hedge Ma	•	Gain Decembe	Value /(Loss) er 31, 2007
(in	millions)					(in m	illions)
\$	100	1-month LIBOR*	3.85%	January	2008	\$	•
\$	14	SIFMA Index **	2.50%	January	2008	\$	-
\$	225	3-month LIBOR	5.26%	March	2018	\$	(10.4)
\$	100	3-month LIBOR	5.12%	June	2018	\$	(3.3)
\$	100	3-month LIBOR	5.28%	February	2019	\$	(3.6)

- \* Interest rate collar with variable rate based on a percentage of one-month LIBOR (showing rate cap)
- \*\* Hedged using the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association Municipal Swap Index (SIFMA), (Formerly the Bond Market Association/PSA Municipal Swap Index)

Subsequent to December 31, 2007, the Company entered into \$601 million notional amounts of interest rate swaps related to variable rate debt through December 2009.

The fair value gain or loss for cash flow hedges is recorded in other comprehensive income and is reclassified into earnings at the same time the hedged items affect earnings. In 2007, 2006, and 2005, the Company settled gains/(losses) totaling \$12.1 million, \$(3.9) million, and \$0.9 million, respectively, upon termination of certain interest derivatives at the same time it issued debt. The effective portion of these gains/(losses) have been deferred in other comprehensive income and will be amortized to interest expense over the life of the original interest derivative. Amounts reclassified from other comprehensive income to interest expense were immaterial for all periods presented. For 2008, pre-tax losses of approximately \$3 million are expected to be reclassified from other comprehensive income to interest expense. The Company has interest related hedges in place through 2019 and has realized gains/(losses) that are being amortized through 2037.

### 7. COMMITMENTS

#### **Construction Program**

The Company currently estimates property additions to be approximately \$2.0 billion, \$2.0 billion, and \$1.8 billion, in 2008, 2009, and 2010, respectively. These amounts include \$116 million, \$138 million, and \$128 million in 2008, 2009, and 2010, respectively, for construction expenditures related to contractual purchase commitments for uranium and nuclear fuel conversion, enrichment, and fabrication services included under "Fuel Commitments." The construction program is subject to periodic review and revision, and actual construction costs may vary from estimates because of numerous factors, including, but not limited to, changes in business conditions, changes in FERC rules and regulations, revised load growth estimates, changes in environmental regulations, changes in existing nuclear plants to meet new regulatory requirements, increasing costs of labor, equipment, and materials, and cost of capital. At December 31, 2007, significant purchase commitments were outstanding in connection with the construction program.

### **Long-Term Service Agreements**

The Company has entered into a Long-Term Service Agreement (LTSA) with General Electric (GE) for the purpose of securing maintenance support for the combustion turbines at the Plant McIntosh combined cycle facility. In summary, the LTSA stipulates that GE will perform all planned inspections on the covered equipment, which includes the cost of all labor and materials. GE is also obligated to cover the costs of unplanned maintenance on the covered equipment subject to a limit specified in each contract.

In general, this LTSA is in effect through two major inspection cycles per unit. Scheduled payments to GE, which are subject to price escalation, are made quarterly based on actual operating hours of the respective units. Total payments to GE under this agreement are currently estimated at \$187.7 million over the remaining term of the agreement, which is currently projected to be approximately 10 years. However, the LTSA contains various cancellation provisions at the option of the Company.

The Company has also entered into an LTSA with GE through 2014 for neutron monitoring system parts and electronics at Plant

Hatch. Total remaining payments to GE under this agreement are currently estimated at \$9.2 million. The contract contains cancellation provisions at the option of the Company. Payments made to GE prior to the performance of any work are recorded as a prepayment in the balance sheets. Work performed by GE is capitalized or charged to expense as appropriate net of any joint owner billings, based on the nature of the work.

The Company has entered into a LTSA with Mitsubishi Power Systems Americas, Inc. (MPS) for the purpose of providing certain parts and maintenance services for the three combined cycle units under construction at Plant McDonough, which are scheduled to go into service in February 2011, June 2011, and June 2012, respectively. The LTSA stipulates that MPS will perform all planned maintenance on each covered unit which includes the cost of all materials and services. MPS is also obligated to cover costs of unplanned maintenance on the gas turbines subject to limits specified in the LTSA.

This LTSA will commence in 2011 and is in effect through two major inspection cycles per covered unit. Periodic payments to MPS are to be made quarterly and will also be made based on the scheduled inspections for the respective covered units. Payments to MPS under this agreement, which are subject to price escalation, are currently estimated to be \$536.8 million for the term of the agreement which is expected to be between 12 and 13 years. However, the LTSA contains various termination provisions at the option of the Company.

#### **Limestone Commitments**

As part of the Company's program to reduce sulfur dioxide emissions from certain of its coal plants, the Company is constructing certain equipment and has entered into various long-term commitments for the procurement of limestone to be used in such equipment. Contracts are structured with tonnage minimums and maximums in order to account for changes in coal burn and sulfur content. The Company has a minimum contractual obligation of 3.8 million tons, equating to approximately \$114.6 million through 2019. Estimated expenditures over the next five years are \$4.5 million in 2008, \$10.2 million in 2009, \$19.2 million in 2010, \$14.6 million in 2011, and \$14.9 million in 2012.

#### **Fuel Commitments**

To supply a portion of the fuel requirements of its generating plants, the Company has entered into various long-term commitments for the procurement of fossil and nuclear fuel. In most cases, these contracts contain provisions for price escalations, minimum purchase levels, and other financial commitments. Coal commitments include forward contract purchases for sulfur dioxide emission allowances. Natural gas purchase commitments contain fixed volumes with prices based on various indices at the time of delivery. Amounts included in the chart below represent estimates based on New York Mercantile Exchange future prices at December 31, 2007.

Total estimated minimum long-term obligations at December 31, 2007 were as follows:

	Commitments		
	Natural Gas	Coal	Nuclear Fuel
•		(in millions)	
2008	\$ 684	\$1,653	\$ 116
2009	503	1,070	138
2010	229	449	128
2011	375	82	110
2012	386	47	110
2013 and thereafter	2,803	21	125
Total	\$ 4,980	\$3,322	\$ 727

Additional commitments for fuel will be required to supply the Company's future needs. Total charges for nuclear fuel included in fuel expense were \$79 million, \$71 million and \$70 million for the years 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively.

SCS may enter into various types of wholesale energy and natural gas contracts acting as an agent for the Company and all of the other Southern Company traditional operating companies and Southern Power. Under these agreements, each of the traditional operating companies and Southern Power may be jointly and severally liable. The creditworthiness of Southern Power is currently inferior to the creditworthiness of the traditional operating companies. Accordingly, Southern Company has entered into keep-well agreements with the Company and each of the other traditional operating companies to ensure they will not subsidize or be responsible

for any costs, losses, liabilities, or damages resulting from the inclusion of Southern Power as a contracting party under these agreements.

#### **Purchased Power Commitments**

The Company has commitments regarding a portion of a 5% interest in Plant Vogtle owned by MEAG that are in effect until the latter of the retirement of the plant or the latest stated maturity date of MEAG's bonds issued to finance such ownership interest. The payments for capacity are required whether or not any capacity is available. The energy cost is a function of each unit's variable operating costs. Portions of the capacity payments relate to costs in excess of Plant Vogtle's allowed investment for ratemaking purposes. The present value of these portions at the time of the disallowance was written off. Generally, the cost of such capacity and energy is included in purchased power from non-affiliates in the statements of income. Capacity payments totaled \$46 million, \$49 million, and \$54 million in 2007, 2006, and 2005, respectively. The Company also has entered into other various long-term power purchase agreements (PPAs). Estimated total long-term obligations under these commitments at December 31, 2007 were as follows:

	Vogtle Capacity Payments	Affiliated PPA	Non-Affiliated PPA		
	(in millions)				
2008	\$ 49	\$ 209	\$ 84		
2009	53	209	90		
2010	53	153	132		
2011	51	119	148		
2012	49	107	107		
2013 and thereafter	139	702	1,504		
Total	\$ 394	\$ 1,499	\$ 2,065		

#### **Operating Leases**

The Company has entered into various operating leases with various terms and expiration dates. Rental expenses related to these operating leases totaled \$31 million for 2007, \$33 million for 2006, and \$39 million for 2005.

At December 31, 2007, estimated minimum lease payments for these noncancelable operating leases were as follows:

	Minimum Lease Payments				
	Rail Cars	Other	Total		
		(in millions)			
2008	\$ 18	\$ 11	\$ 29		
2009	17	9	26		
2010	16	7	23		
2011	16	6	22		
2012	9	3	12		
2013 and thereafter	24	5	29		
Total	\$ 100	\$ 41	\$ 141		

In addition to the rental commitments above, the Company has obligations upon expiration of certain rail car leases with respect to the residual value of the leased property. These leases expire in 2011 and the Company's maximum obligation is \$40.7 million. At the termination of the leases, at the Company's option, the Company may either exercise its purchase option or the property can be sold to a third party. The Company expects that the fair market value of the leased property would substantially reduce or eliminate the Company's payments under the residual value obligation. A portion of the rail car lease obligations is shared with the joint owners of Plants Scherer and Wansley. A majority of the rental expenses related to the rail car leases are fully recoverable through the fuel cost recovery clause as ordered by the Georgia PSC and the remaining portion is recovered through base rates.

#### Guarantees

Alabama Power has guaranteed unconditionally the obligation of SEGCO under an installment sale agreement for the purchase of certain pollution control facilities at SEGCO's generating units, pursuant to which \$24.5 million principal amount of pollution control revenue bonds are outstanding. Alabama Power has also guaranteed \$50 million in senior notes issued by SEGCO. The Company has agreed to reimburse Alabama Power for the pro rata portion of such obligations corresponding to the Company's then proportionate ownership of stock of SEGCO if Alabama Power is called upon to make such payment under its guaranty.

As discussed earlier in this Note under "Operating Leases," the Company has entered into certain residual value guarantees related to rail car leases.

#### 8. STOCK OPTION PLAN

Southern Company provides non-qualified stock options to a large segment of the Company's employees ranging from line management to executives. As of December 31, 2007, 1,658 current and former employees of the Company participated in the stock option plan. The maximum number of shares of Southern Company common stock that may be issued under this plan may not exceed 40 million. The prices of options granted to date have been at the fair market value of the shares on the dates of grant. Options granted to date become exercisable pro rata over a maximum period of three years from the date of grant. The Company generally recognizes stock option expense on a straight-line basis over the vesting period which equates to the requisite service period; however for employees who are eligible for retirement the total cost is expensed at the grant date. Options outstanding will expire no later than 10 years after the date of grant, unless terminated earlier by the Southern Company Board of Directors in accordance with the stock option plan. For certain stock option awards a change in control will provide accelerated vesting.

The Company's activity in the stock option plan for 2007 is summarized below:

	Shares Subject to Option	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at December 31, 2006	7,830,583	\$ 28.42
Granted	1,432,410	36.42
Exercised	(1,717,486)	25.59
Cancelled	(7,398)	30.13
Outstanding at December 31, 2007	7,538,109	\$ 30.59
Exercisable at December 31, 2007	4,837,923	\$ 28.13

The number of stock options vested, and expected to vest in the future, as of December 31, 2007 was not significantly different from the number of stock options outstanding at December 31, 2007 as stated above. At December 31, 2007, the weighted average remaining contractual term for the options outstanding and options exercisable was 6.4 years and 5.2 years, respectively, and the aggregate intrinsic value for the options outstanding and options exercisable was \$61.5 million and \$51.4 million, respectively.

As of December 31, 2007, there was \$2.3 million of total unrecognized compensation cost related to stock option awards not yet vested. That cost is expected to be recognized over a weighted-average period of approximately 10 months.

The total intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005 was \$17.4 million, \$10.3 million, and \$24.2 million, respectively. The actual tax benefit realized by the Company for the tax deductions from stock option exercises totaled \$6.7 million, \$4.0 million, and \$9.4 million, respectively, for the years ended December 31, 2007, 2006, and 2005.

#### 9. NUCLEAR INSURANCE

Under the Price-Anderson Amendments Act (Act), the Company maintains agreements of indemnity with the NRC that, together with private insurance, cover third-party liability arising from any nuclear incident occurring at the Company's Plants Hatch and Vogtle. The Act provides funds up to \$10.8 billion for public liability claims that could arise from a single nuclear incident. Each nuclear plant is insured against this liability to a maximum of \$300 million by American Nuclear Insurers (ANI), with the remaining coverage

provided by a mandatory program of deferred premiums that could be assessed, after a nuclear incident, against all owners of nuclear reactors. The Company could be assessed up to \$101 million per incident for each licensed reactor it operates but not more than an aggregate of \$15 million per incident to be paid in a calendar year for each reactor. Such maximum assessment, excluding any applicable state premium taxes, for the Company, based on its ownership and buyback interests, is \$203 million, per incident, but not more than an aggregate of \$30 million to be paid for each incident in any one year. Both the maximum assessment per reactor and the maximum yearly assessment are adjusted for inflation at least every five years. The next scheduled adjustment is due on or before August 31, 2008.

The Company is a member of Nuclear Electric Insurance Limited (NEIL), a mutual insurer established to provide property damage insurance in an amount up to \$500 million for members' nuclear generating facilities.

Additionally, the Company has policies that currently provide decontamination, excess property insurance, and premature decommissioning coverage up to \$2.3 billion for losses in excess of the \$500 million primary coverage. This excess insurance is also provided by NEIL.

NEIL also covers the additional costs that would be incurred in obtaining replacement power during a prolonged accidental outage at a member's nuclear plant. Members can purchase this coverage, subject to a deductible waiting period of up to 26 weeks, with a maximum per occurrence per unit limit of \$490 million. After the deductible period, weekly indemnity payments would be received until either the unit is operational or until the limit is exhausted in approximately three years. The Company purchases the maximum limit allowed by NEIL, subject to ownership limitations. Each facility has elected a 12-week waiting period.

Under each of the NEIL policies, members are subject to assessments if losses each year exceed the accumulated funds available to the insurer under that policy. The current maximum annual assessments for the Company under the NEIL policies would be \$51 million.

Claims resulting from terrorist acts are covered under both the ANI and NEIL policies (subject to normal policy limits). The aggregate, however, that NEIL will pay for all claims resulting from terrorist acts in any 12 month period is \$3.2 billion plus such additional amounts NEIL can recover through reinsurance, indemnity, or other sources.

For all on-site property damage insurance policies for commercial nuclear power plants, the NRC requires that the proceeds of such policies shall be dedicated first for the sole purpose of placing the reactor in a safe and stable condition after an accident. Any remaining proceeds are to be applied next toward the costs of decontamination and debris removal operations ordered by the NRC, and any further remaining proceeds are to be paid either to the Company or to its bond trustees as may be appropriate under the policies and applicable trust indentures.

All retrospective assessments, whether generated for liability, property, or replacement power, may be subject to applicable state premium taxes.

# 10. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION (UNAUDITED)

Summarized quarterly financial information for 2007 and 2006 is as follows:

Quarter Ended	Operating Revenues		Net Income After Dividends on Preferred and Preference Stock
		(in	millions)
March 2007	\$ 1,657	\$ 279	\$ 131
June 2007	1,844	361	188
September 2007	2,444	688	400
December 2007	1,627	189	117
March 2006	\$ 1,584	\$ 288	\$ 132
June 2006	1,808	386	197
September 2006	2,275	662	382
December 2006	1,579	174	76

The Company's business is influenced by seasonal weather conditions.

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	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Operating Revenues (in thousands)	\$7,571,652	\$7,245,644	\$7,075,837	\$5,727,768	\$5,228,625
Net Income after Dividends					
on Preferred and Preference Stock (in thousands)	\$836,136	\$787,225	\$744,373	\$682,793	\$654,036
Cash Dividends					
on Common Stock (in thousands)	\$689,900	\$630,000	\$582,800	\$588,700	\$588,800
Return on Average Common Equity (percent)	13.50	13.80	14.08	13.87	14.01
Total Assets (in thousands)	\$20,822,761	\$19,308,730	\$17,898,445	\$16,598,778	\$15,527,223
Gross Property Additions (in thousands)	\$1,862,449	\$1,276,889	\$958,563	\$1,252,197	\$783,053
Capitalization (in thousands):		-			
Common stock equity	\$6,435,420	\$5,956,251	\$5,452,083	\$5,123,276	\$4,723,299
Preferred and preference stock	265,957	44,991	43,909	58,547	14,569
Mandatorily redeemable preferred securities	-	-	-	•	940,000
Long-term debt	5,937,792	5,211,912	5,365,323	4,916,694	3,984,825
Total (excluding amounts due within one year)	\$12,639,169	\$11,213,154	\$10,861,315	\$10,098,517	\$9,662,693
Capitalization Ratios (percent):	· · ·		<u> </u>		
Common stock equity	50.9	53.1	50.2	50.7	48.9
Preferred and preference stock	2.1	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.2
Mandatorily redeemable preferred securities	-	-	•	-	9.7
Long-term debt	47.0	46.5	49.4	48.7	41.2
Total (excluding amounts due within one year)	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Security Ratings:					
Preferred and Preference Stock -					
Moody's	Baa1	Baal	Baa 1	Baal	Baai
Standard and Poor's	BBB+	BBB+	BBB+	BBB+	BBB+
Fitch	A	Α	Α	Α	Α
Unsecured Long-Term Debt -					
Moody's	A2	A2	A2	A2	A2
Standard and Poor's	Α	Α	Α	Α	Α
Fitch	<u>A</u> +	A+	<u>A</u> +	<u>A+</u>	<u>A+</u>
Customers (year-end):					
Residential	2,024,520	1,998,643	1,960,556	1,926,215	1,890,790
Commercial	295,478	294,654	289,009	283,507	275,378
Industrial	8,240	8,008	8,290	7,765	7,989
Other	4,807	4,371	4,143	4,015	3,940
Total	2,333,045	2,305,676	2,261,998	2,221,502	2,178,097
Employees (year-end)	9,270	9,278	9,273	9,294	9,263

N/A = Not Applicable.

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Commercial   1,2576,1658   2,423,568   2,357,077   1,933,004   1,767,48   Industrial   1,403,852   1,322,213   1,406,295   1,217,536   1,051,03   0,051,03   1,005		2007	2006	2005	2004	2003
Commercial         2,576,088         2,423,568         2,577,077         1,933,004         1,767,48           Industrial         1,403,882         1,382,281         1,406,295         1,217,536         1,510,103           Other         75,592         73,649         73,849         72,117,536         1,511,510         4,608,77           Wholesale - ann-affiliates         537,913         551,731         524,800         251,581         265,020           Wholesale - affiliates         277,832         252,556         275,252         172,375         181,35           Total revenues from sales of electricity         7,313,748         7,009,907         6,864,688         5,542,707         505,16           Other revenues         257,904         23,573         21,149         185,061         173,46           Total         37,571,652         57,245,644         5707,533         55,27,076         52,28,62           Kilowatt-Hour Sales (in treasant);         26,840,275         26,206,170         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,532,46           Commercial         25,409,005         25,709,005         25,084,272         24,829,833         23,532,46           Other         607,363         660,285         737,343         74,935         73,22	Operating Revenues (in thousands):					
Industrial   1,403,852   1,382,211   1,406,295   1,217,516   1,671,01   1,	Residential	\$ 2,442,501	\$2,326,190	\$2,227,137	\$1,900,961	\$1,726,543
Other         75,592         73,649         73,859         6,72,50         6,64,86,363         5,118,751         4,608,77           Wholesale- non-affiliates         537,913         551,731         524,800         251,81         265,002           Wholesale- affiliates         277,832         252,556         275,525         172,375         181,35           Total revenues from sales of electricity         7,313,748         7,009,007         6,864,688         5,542,707         5,055,165           Other revenues from sales of lectricity         7,313,748         7,009,007         6,864,688         5,542,707         5,055,165           Other revenues from sales of lectricity         7,313,748         7,009,007         6,864,888         5,542,707         5,055,165           Other         7,313,748         7,245,644         5,075,837         5,227,608         55,228,62           Kilowatt-Hour Sales (in thousands):         2,248,002,75         26,206,170         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,532,46           Commercial         25,490,305         25,509,700         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,532,46           Other         607,363         660,235         84,555,81         8,141,262         82,205,504         79,213,99           Sales for resale - non	Commercial	2,576,058	2,423,568	2,357,077	1,933,004	1,767,487
Total retail	Industrial	1,403,852	1,382,213	1,406,295	1,217,536	1,051,034
Wholesale - non-affiliates         537,913         521,781         524,800         251,581         265,02           Wholesale - affiliates         277,832         252,556         275,252         172,375         181,35           Total revenues from sales of electricity         7,313,748         7,009,907         6,864,688         5,542,707         50,535,16           Other revenues         257,904         235,737         211,149         185,061         173,46           Total         25,940,035         5,24,5644         7,075,83         5,22,86         5,222,86           Kilowatt-Hour Sales (in thousands):         26,840,275         26,206,170         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,532,48           Residential         25,490,035         25,577,000         25,832,265         27,197,843         26,642,26           Industrial         25,490,035         25,577,000         25,832,265         27,197,843         28,401,76           Other         697,363         660,285         737,343         744,935         732,19           Sales for resale - non-affiliates         10,577,969         10,685,455         10,588,891         5,429,911         8,353,04           Sales for resale - affiliates         10,577,969         8,88         8,73         7.6	Other	75,592	73,649	73,854	67,250	63,715
Notesale - affiliates   277,832   252,556   275,525   172,375   181,35   150   10	Total retail	6,498,003	6,205,620	6,064,363	5,118,751	4,608,779
Total revenues from sales of electricity	Wholesale - non-affiliates	537,913	551,731	524,800	251,581	265,029
Other revenues         257,904         235,737         211,149         185,061         173,46           Total         37,571,652         57,245,644         57,078,837         \$5,277,68         \$5,228,62           Kilowatt-Hour Sales (in thousands):         26,840,275         26,206,170         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,523,64           Commercial         33,056,632         23,112,430         31,343,182         29,538,328         24,605,642,60           Other         697,363         660,285         737,343         744,935         732,90           Total retail         86,084,305         84,555,891         83,112,62         82,326,00         79,231,30           Sales for resale - non-affiliates         101,877,969         10,685,456         10,588,463         10,588,463         1,492,574         60,293,39           Total         101,877,969         10,685,456         10,588,463         10,588,463         1,493,31         7,66         7,231,30           Sales for resale - affiliates         5,191,903         5,463,463         5,033,41         82,657,169         93,613,83           Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (ceas):         101,872,46         1,522         1,522         1,522         1,524         6,24         6,23         3,52         1,6	Wholesale - affiliates	277,832	252,556	275,525	172,375	181,355
	Total revenues from sales of electricity	7,313,748	7,009,907	6,864,688	5,542,707	5,055,163
Residential	Other revenues	257,904	235,737	211,149	185,061	173,462
Residential         26,840,275         26,206,170         25,508,472         24,829,833         23,532,46           Commercial         33,056,632         23,112,430         31,334,182         29,533,893         28,401,76           Industrial         25,490,035         25,571,006         25,832,505         27,179,843         26,564,007         27,32,00           Other         697,363         660,285         737,343         744,935         732,00           Sales for resale - non-affiliates         10,877,969         10,685,456         3,8142,262         82,265,040         72,313,93           Sales for resale - affiliates         5,191,903         5,463,463         5,033,165         4,925,744         6,029,39           Total         101,854,177         100,704,810         99,034,318         92,682,159         33,163,33           Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (sens):         8         8         8,73         7,66         60,293,39           Total retail         9,10         8,88         8,73         7,66         62         16,24         14,44         3,9         10         13,15         1,49         5,12         4,9         3,1         1,4         3,9         3,5         4,4         4,4         3,9         3,5         4,4	Total	\$7,571,652	\$7,245,644	\$7,075,837	\$5,727,768	\$5,228,625
Commercial Industrial         33,056,632 bg,035 bg,035 bg,035 bg,040,76 bg,040,76 bg,040,76 bg,040,76 bg,040,76 bg,040 bg,04	Kilowatt-Hour Sales (in thousands):				<del></del>	-, , ,
Commercial Industrial         33,056,632 brown at 25,90,035 brown at 25,932,265 brown at 25,932,26	Residential	26,840,275	26,206,170	25,508,472	24,829,833	23,532,467
Industrial	Commercial		32,112,430	31,334,182	29,553,893	28,401,764
Other         697,363         660,285         737,343         744,935         732,90           Total retail         86,084,305         84,555,891         83,412,262         82,326,604         79,231,39           Sales for resale - non-affiliates         10,577,969         10,685,456         10,588,81         5,429,911         8,353,04           Sales for resale - affiliates         5,191,003         5,463,463         5,033,165         49,257,44         60,293,93           Total         101,854,177         100,704,810         99,034,318         92,682,159         93,613,83           Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (cent):         8,88         8,873         7,66         7,3           Commercial         7,79         7,55         7,52         6,54         6,2           Industrial         5,51         5,40         5,44         4,48         3,9           Total retail         7,55         7,34         7,27         6,22         5,8           Wholesale         5,17         4,98         5,12         4,09         3,1           Total retail         7,55         7,34         7,27         6,22         5,8           Wholesale         5,17         4,98         5,12         4,09         3,1	Industrial		25,577,006	25,832,265	27,197,843	26,564,261
Total retail	Other					732,900
Sales for resale - non-affiliates         10,577,969         10,685,456         10,588,891         5,429,911         8,353,04           Sales for resale - affiliates         5,191,903         5,463,463         5,033,165         4,925,744         6,029,39           Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (cens):         101,854,177         100,704,810         99,034,318         9,2682,159         93,613,83           Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (cens):         9,10         8,88         8,73         7,66         7,3           Commercial         7,79         7,55         7,52         6,54         6,2           Industrial         5,51         5,40         5,44         4,48         3,9           Total retail         7,55         7,34         7,27         6,22         5,8           Wholesale         5,17         4,98         5,12         4,09         3,1         7,04         4,98         5,12         4,09         3,1         5,4           Keidential Average Annual         Kesidential Average Annual         8,1212         \$1,173         \$1,145         \$995         \$92           Plant Nameplate Capacity         8,291         \$1,595         \$15,995         \$15,995         \$14,743         \$1,476           Maximum Peak-Hour Demand (m	Total retail				82,326,504	79,231,392
Sales for resale - affiliates	Sales for resale - non-affiliates					8,353,046
Total   101,854,177   100,704,810   99,034,318   92,682,159   93,613,83     Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (cents):   Residential   9.10   8.88   8.73   7.66   7.3     Commercial   7.79   7.55   7.52   6.54   6.2     Industrial   5.51   5.40   5.44   4.48   3.9     Total retail   7.55   7.34   7.27   6.22   5.8     Wholesale   5.17   4.98   5.12   4.09   3.1     Total sales   7.18   6.96   6.93   5.98   5.4     Residential Average Annual   Kilowatt-Hour Use Per Customer   13,315   13,216   13,119   13,002   12,55     Residential Average Annual   Revenue Per Customer   31,315   13,216   13,119   13,002   12,55     Residential Average Annual   Revenue Per Customer   31,315   15,995   15,995   14,743   14,76     Maximum Peak-Hour Demand (megawatts)   15,995   15,995   14,360   13,087   13,92     Summer   17,974   17,159   16,925   16,129   15,57     Annual Load Factor (percent)   57,5   61,8   59,4   61,0   61,0     Plant Availability (percent):   Fossil-steam   90,8   91,4   90,0   87,1   85,	Sales for resale - affiliates					6,029,398
Residential					<del>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</del>	93,613,836
Residential         9.10         8.88         8.73         7.66         7.3           Commercial         7.79         7.55         7.52         6.54         6.2           Industrial         5.51         5.40         5.44         4.48         3.9           Total retail         7.55         7.34         7.27         6.22         5.8           Wholesale         5.17         4.98         5.12         4.09         3.1           Total sales         7.18         6.96         6.93         5.98         5.4           Residential Average Annual         Residential Average Annual         Residential Average Annual           Revenue Per Customer         31,315         13,216         13,119         13,002         12,55           Residential Average Annual         Revenue Per Customer         31,212         \$1,173         \$1,145         \$995         \$92           Plant Amaines (percent)         15,995         15,995         15,995         14,743         14,76           Maximum Peak-Hour Demand (megawatts)         13,817         13,528         14,360         13,087         13,92           Summer         17,974         17,159         16,925         16,129         15,57	Average Revenue Per Kilowatt-Hour (cents):	<u> </u>				
Industrial   5.51   5.40   5.44   4.48   3.9     Total retail   7.55   7.34   7.27   6.22   5.8     Wholesale   5.17   4.98   5.12   4.09   3.1     Total sales   7.18   6.96   6.93   5.98   5.4     Residential Average Annual     Kilowatt-Hour Use Per Customer   13,315   13,216   13,119   13,002   12,55     Residential Average Annual     Revenue Per Customer   81,212   81,173   81,145   8995   892     Plant Nameplate Capacity     Ratings (year-end) (megawatts)   15,995   15,995   15,995   14,743   14,76     Maximum Peak-Hour Demand (megawatts):     Winter   13,817   13,528   14,360   13,087   13,92     Summer   17,974   17,159   16,925   16,129   15,57     Annual Load Factor (percent)   57.5   61.8   59.4   61.0   61.     Plant Availability (percent):     Fossil-steam   90.8   91.4   90.0   87.1   85.     Nuclear   92.4   90.7   89.3   94.8   94.     Source of Energy Supply (percent):     Coal   61.5   59.0   60.7   57.6   58.     Nuclear   14.6   14.4   14.5   16.5   16.     Hydro   0.5   0.9   1.9   1.5   2.     Oil and gas   5.5   5.0   3.0   0.2   0.     Purchased power -     From non-affiliates   3.8   3.8   4.6   6.0   6.6     From affiliates   14.1   16.9   15.3   18.2   16.     Total sales   5.8   5.9   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.		9.10	8.88	8.73	7.66	7.34
Industrial   5.51   5.40   5.44   4.48   3.9     Total retail   7.55   7.34   7.27   6.22   5.8     Wholesale   5.17   4.98   5.12   4.09   3.1     Total sales   7.18   6.96   6.93   5.98   5.4     Residential Average Annual     Kilowatt-Hour Use Per Customer   13,315   13,216   13,119   13,002   12,55     Residential Average Annual     Revenue Per Customer   81,212   \$1,173   \$1,145   \$995   \$92     Plant Nameplate Capacity     Ratings (year-end) (megawatts)   15,995   15,995   15,995   14,743   14,76     Maximum Peak-Hour Demand (megawatts):     Winter   13,817   13,528   14,360   13,087   13,92     Summer   17,974   17,159   16,925   16,129   15,57     Annual Load Factor (percent)   57.5   61.8   59.4   61.0   61.     Plant Availability (percent):     Fossil-steam   90.8   91.4   90.0   87.1   85.     Nuclear   92.4   90.7   89.3   94.8   94.     Source of Energy Supply (percent):     Coal   61.5   59.0   60.7   57.6   58.     Nuclear   14.6   14.4   14.5   16.5   16.     Hydro   0.5   0.9   1.9   1.5   2.     Oil and gas   5.5   5.0   3.0   0.2   0.     Purchased power -     From non-affiliates   3.8   3.8   4.6   6.0   6.     From affiliates   14.1   16.9   15.3   18.2   16.     Total sales   14.1   16.9   15.3   18.2   16.     Total sales   5.5   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.5   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.5   5.0   5.0   5.0   5.0     Total sales   5.5   5.0     T	Commercial				6.54	6.22
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### **DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

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# **Directors**

#### Gus H. Bell III

Chairman and President Hussey, Gay, Bell and DeYoung (Retired effective 8/6/07)

#### Robert L. Brown, Jr.

President and Chief Executive Officer R. L. Brown & Associates, Inc.

#### Ronald D. Brown

President and Chief Executive Officer Atlanta Life Financial Group

#### Anna R. Cablik

Owner and President Anatek, Inc. & Anasteel & Supply Co., LLC

#### Michael D. Garrett

President and Chief Executive Officer Georgia Power Company

#### David M. Ratcliffe

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer The Southern Company

## Jimmy C. Tallent

President and Chief Executive Officer United Community Banks, Inc. (Elected effective 5/16/07)

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#### Richard W. Usserv

Retired from Total System Services, Inc.

#### W. Jerry Vereen

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### **Officers**

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#### Cliff S. Thrasher

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Executive Vice President External Affairs

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#### Richard L. Holmes

Senior Vice President Metro Region

#### E. Lamont Houston

Senior Vice President Customer Service and Sales

### Douglas E. Jones

Senior Vice President Fossil & Hydro Generation and Senior Production Officer

### James H. Miller III

Senior Vice President and General Counsel

#### Michael K. Anderson

Vice President Corporate Services

### W. Craig Barrs

Region Vice President Coastal

### Robert A. Bell

Vice President Human Resources (Retired effective 4/1/08)

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Chief Accounting Officer

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Vice President

Supply Chain Management

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Governmental & Regulatory Affairs and

Resource Planning & Nuclear Development

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Vice President

Land

Charles H. Huling

Vice President

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(Elected effective 4/1/08)

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Vice President

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Region Vice President

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Corporate Secretary

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Vice President

Diversity

Leslie R. Sibert

Vice President

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Region Vice President

Northeast

Gene L. Ussery

Vice President

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(Retired effective 4/1/07)

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Region Vice President

Central

Anthony L. Wilson

Vice President

Distribution

(Elected effective 2/10/07)

W. Tal Wright

Vice President

Corporate Communication

E. Wayne Boston

Assistant Secretary and

Assistant Treasurer

Robert B. Morris

Assistant Comptroller and Assistant Secretary

Mark K. Tate

Assistant Comptroller

#### CORPORATE INFORMATION

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#### General

This annual report is submitted for general information and is not intended for use in connection with any sale or purchase of, or any solicitation of offers to buy or sell, securities.

#### **Profile**

The Company produces and delivers electricity as an integrated utility to retail customers within the State of Georgia and to wholesale customers in the Southeast. The Company sells electricity to approximately 2.3 million customers within its service area. In 2007, retail energy sales accounted for 85 percent of the Company's total sales of 101.9 billion kilowatt-hours.

The Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Southern Company, which is the parent company of four traditional operating companies, a wholesale generation subsidiary, and other direct and indirect subsidiaries. There is no established public trading market for the Company's common stock.

Trustee, Registrar, and Interest Paying Agent All series of Senior Notes and Trust Preferred Securities The Bank of New York

101 Barclay Street, Floor 8W New York, New York 10286

# Registrar, Transfer Agent, and Dividend Paving Agent

6 1/8% Series Class A Preferred Stock Southern Company Services, Inc. Stockholder Services P.O. Box 54250 Atlanta, GA 30308-0250 (800) 554-7626

6.50% Series 2007A Preference Stock Southern Company Services, Inc. Stockholder Services P.O. Box 54250 Atlanta, GA 30308-0250 (800) 554-7626 All of the outstanding shares of the Company's preferred and preference stock are registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee for The Depository Trust Company.

#### Form 10-K

A copy of the Form 10-K as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission will be provided upon written request to the office of the Corporate Secretary. For additional information, contact the office of the Corporate Secretary at (404) 506-7450.

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### **Auditors**

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