



Bet you're wondering why I'm talking to you. Well, I'm here to introduce our 2008 Southern Company Summary Annual Report. Although I don't normally speak with words, I do communicate. It's a new skill I picked up recently and one that makes me a much more innovative and informative meter. Being smarter and more efficient is the focus of our message this year. At Southern Company, we continue to research, develop, and implement ways that help us remain a leader in our industry, a reliable energy provider for our customers, and a solid long-term investment for our shareholders. We're a company finding ways to be more efficient by being smarter. Take a look. I think you will find it very enlightening. **Enjoy!**