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Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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ENERGYSOUTH INC

CIK: **1051286** | IRS No.: **582358943** | State of Incorporation: **AL** | Fiscal Year End: **0930**
SIC: **4924** Natural gas distribution

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person HOVELL WALTER L (Last) (First) (Middle) P.O. BOX 2607, ATTN: MRS. MARTHA LOPER (Street) MOBILE, AL 36652 (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENERGYSOUTH INC [ENSI]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)		
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2005					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								16,765	I	IRA
Common Stock								27,257	D	
Common Stock								36,751	I	Spouse ⁽¹⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	(2)	04/01/2005		A		17.851	(3)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	17.851	\$27.92	2,509.827	D	
Phantom Stock	(2)	04/29/2005		A		244.9133	(4)	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	244.9133	\$26.54	2,754.7403	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The reporting party disclaims any beneficial ownership of these securities.
- One-for-One
- Dividend - Based Allocation
- The shares of phantom stock acquired pursuant to Amended and Restated Non-Employee Directors Deferred Fee Plan; payable in cash in installments beginning January, 2006.

Signatures

/s/ Walter L. Hovell, Sr.

** Signature of Reporting Person

05/02/2005

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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