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Chris Hobson is Senior Vice President of Research and Environmental Affairs and Chief Environmental Officer for Southern Company. He is responsible for company-wide environmental issues and environmental compliance planning as well as research and development of new technology to address future environmental challenges.

Hobson joined Georgia Power, Southern Company's largest subsidiary, in 1973. He has held a number of positions, including Manager of Environmental Laboratory, Manager of Agency Affairs in Washington, D.C., and most recently served as Vice President Environmental Affairs for Georgia Power before being named Senior Vice President at Southern Company in 2004.

A native of Georgia, Chris is a graduate of Georgia Southern University, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry; a graduate of Georgia Tech, where he received a degree in Chemical Engineering; and, in 2002 he graduated from Harvard's Advanced Management Program. He has been a member of various environmental organizations, including the executive environmental and the research advisory councils at the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), and the steering committee for the Utility Air Regulatory Group (UARG).

He and his wife, Patti have a son and daughter, and currently reside in Birmingham, AL.