

# Tom Wilson

Vice President and Chief Information Security Officer • Southern Company

As vice president and chief information security officer for Southern Company, Tom Wilson is responsible for managing corporate cybersecurity risk. Wilson joined Southern Company in 1989 and has more than 25 years of experience leading information technologies to various areas of the electric utility industry, including applications, infrastructure and security. He has been involved in information security since 1998. For more than a decade, he has worked with Southern Company's executives and board of directors to develop best practices and critical initiatives that further the company's cybersecurity and business continuity planning.

A nationally recognized IT security leader, Wilson works with U.S. federal intelligence and law enforcement agencies – including the FBI, Department of Homeland Security and the Secret Service – to share and analyze threat intelligence to protect critical U.S. infrastructure. He was one of 25 U.S. chief information security officers selected for the inaugural FBI CISO Academy. Wilson represents Southern Company as a member of the FBI's Domestic Security Alliance Council. He consults with state public service commissions, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Department of Energy.



Wilson's work with legislators, Congressional staff, the U.S Chamber of Commerce, the Business Roundtable, the Bipartisan Policy Center and Edison Electric Institute has helped influence national security policy.

Wilson serves on the executive committee for the industry's

Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center (E-ISAC) and is a member of the Senior Executive Working Group for the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council. He is a member of an executive committee overseeing a venture capital fund founded by a group of utilities to invest in energy and cybersecurity technology. He has been involved in numerous strategic industry initiatives with the U.S. Department of Energy and national laboratories, and serves on executive customer advisory boards of leading cybersecurity companies, including Palo Alto Networks and Hewlett-Packard.

Wilson holds a bachelor's degree with a major in management information systems from the University of Georgia and completed Harvard Business School's General Management Program.

