FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Lytle Patrick A							Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     SM Energy Co [ SM ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									eporting Person(s e)		10% Ov	) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1775 SHERMAN STREET					03/08/2022									X	below)		counti	below)	·	
SUITE 1200						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indi	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER	•														Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				g Person	
(City) (State) (Zip)																				
		Та	ble I - Nor	n-Der	ivativ	e Se	curitie	s Acqı	uired, l	Disp	osed of,	or E	Benefi	cially Ov	/ned					
Date					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 a					rities ficially Owned wing Reported		nership : Direct (D) lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and				(	
Common Stock	/31/2021				<b>J</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		380		A	\$21.68	15,166			D						
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value 03/0						08/2022			S		6,776		D	\$42.01(2)	8,390		D			
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	ercise (Month/Day/Year) of ative	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 Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		e Se ear) De		tle and Ai irities Un vative Se r. 3 and 4	derlying curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction:	s S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Explanation of Re	enoneoe:				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	mber (Instr. 4)		J.1(3)			

- 1. The reporting person purchased 380 shares of the Issuer's common stock on December 31, 2021, through the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 2. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$41.93 to \$42.10, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth herein.

## Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-

Fact)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

03/10/2022

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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