FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Whitcomb David J.				<u>S1</u>	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     SM Energy Co [ SM ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)									ionship of R all applicabl Director	10% Ow		vner	
(Last) 1700 LINCOL	(First)	`	liddle)		Date of /02/20		ransact	ion (Month/	Day/Y	'ear)			X	Officer (gi below)	ve title  VP - M	arket	Other (s below) ing	specify
SUITE 3200				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6.	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(Street) DENVER	СО	80	0203										A		•	•	ne Reportin	g Person
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)															
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date				2. Transacti Date (Month/Day	Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		rities Acquired (A) or ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount Securities Beneficiall Following Transactio		ly Owned or Reported (In		lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v .	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		(Instr. 3 and				(111501.4)
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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (		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	is Ily	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		piration te	Title	Amous or Number of Sha	er		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	08/02/2022		А		4,842		(1)		(1)	Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	4,84	12	\$0	4,842	!	D	

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2023. The vested shares will be issued to the Reporting Person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

## Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-

Fact)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

08/02/2022

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

- $^{\star}$  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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