

**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

Form 4 Transactions Reported.

**ANNUAL 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

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br><u>PURSELL A WADE</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>1700 LINCOLN STREET</u><br><u>SUITE 3200</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>DENVER CO 80203</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>SM Energy Co [ SM ]</u>         | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><b>EVP &amp; CFO</b> |
|  | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>12/31/2022</u> |  |
|  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                          | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                            |

**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|---------|--|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price   |  |  |   |
| Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value   | 09/21/2022                           |  | G                              | 3,000   | D          | \$0     | 357,886  | D  |   |
| Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value   | 10/27/2022                           |  | G                              | 1,000   | D          | \$0     | 356,886  | D  |   |
| Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value   | 12/31/2022                           |  | J <sup>(1)</sup>               | 88  | A          | \$28.97 | 356,974  | 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 | 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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|---|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |  |  |   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The Reporting Person purchased 88 shares of the Issuer's common stock on December 31, 2022, through the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

**Remarks:**

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-Fact)

01/12/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

\*\* 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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