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

			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [ SM ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/13/2023		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 3200 (Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
DENVER	CO	80203	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication	act, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contra affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.					

## 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)	on Date, Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Ad Disposed Of (D			Securities Beneficially Owned	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	06/13/2023		A <sup>(1)</sup>		6,541	A	\$0	69,531	D	

# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction	3A. Deemed	4. 5. N		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of		8. Price of	9. Number of	10.	11. Nature	L
-1	Derivative	Conversion	Date	Execution Date,	Transaction		Derivative		Expiration Date		Securities Underlying		Derivative	derivative	Ownership	of Indirect	L
- 1	Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise	(Month/Day/Year)	if any	Code (Instr.		Securities		(Month/Day/Year) De		Derivative Security		Security	Securities	Form:	Beneficial	1
- 1		Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	8)		Acquire	ed (A)			(Instr. 3 and	4)	(Instr. 5)	Beneficially	Direct (D)	Ownership	L
- 1		Derivative					or Disp	osed of						Owned	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)	L
		Security					(D) (Ins	tr. 3, 4						Following	(I) (Instr. 4)		L
- 1							and 5)							Reported			L
- 1													-	Transaction(s)			L
- 1						l						Amount		(Instr. 4)			L
- 1						l						or					1
- 1						l			Date	Expiration		Number					1
- 1					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Exercisable	Date	Title	of Shares					ı
- L				1													4

### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. On June 13, 2023, the reporting person was granted 6,541 shares of the Issuer's common stock for compensation as a board member. These shares of restricted stock will vest in full on December 31, 2023.

### Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-Fact) 06/14/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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