FORM 4

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

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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affirmative defense 10b5-1(c). See Ins						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PURSELL A WADE			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [ SM ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer
(Last) 1700 LINCOLN	(First) STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/23/2023	X	Officer (give title below)  EVP & C	Other (specify below)
SUITE 3200			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo	
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### 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)	Transaction I Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	08/23/2023		G		4,000	D	\$0	378,984	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	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	'		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	Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-

Fact)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

08/25/2023

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

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