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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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McKonna Plaka Douglas		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/28/2025	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [SM]					
(Last) (First) (Middle)		00,20,2020	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) (Check all applicable)		,	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
1700 LINCOLN SUITE 3200	700 LINCOLN STREET UITE 3200		:		Officer (give title below) Senior Vice Presiden	10% Owner Other (specify below)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person	
(Street) DENVER	СО	80203					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	` '	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	l '
No securities are beneficially owned.	0	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	1 1		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion Form: or Exercise (D) or	Form: Direct (D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	rivative (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-

Fact)

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

06/09/2025

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

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