UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 10, 2013 (September 9, 2013)

SM Energy Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-31539 (Commission File Number) 41-0518430 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

80203

(Zip Code)

1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1200, Denver, Colorado (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 861-8140

Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 9, 2013, SM Energy Company (the "*Company*") announced that the borrowing base under the Company's existing credit facility was increased from \$1.8 billion to \$2.2 billion as a result of its lenders' regularly scheduled semi-annual redetermination process. SM Energy has elected to leave the commitment amount from the bank group unchanged at \$1.3 billion. The other terms of the credit facility remained unchanged and are discussed in the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2013.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

- The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report:
- Exhibit 99.1 Press release of the Company dated September 9, 2013, entitled, "SM Energy Announces Increase in Credit Facility Borrowing Base"

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SM ENERGY COMPANY

Date: September 10, 2013

By: <u>/s/ MARK T. SOLOMON</u> Mark T. Solomon Vice President - Controller and Assistant Secretary

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

SM ENERGY ANNOUNCES INCREASE IN CREDIT FACILITY BORROWING BASE

DENVER, CO September 9, 2013 - SM Energy Company (NYSE: SM) announces that the borrowing base under its senior secured revolving credit facility has been increased from \$1.8 billion to \$2.2 billion, as a result of its lenders' regularly scheduled semi-annual redetermination. SM Energy has elected to leave the commitment amount from the bank group unchanged at \$1.3 billion. There were no other changes to the terms of the credit facility resulting from this borrowing base redetermination.

Tony Best, CEO, commented, "I am pleased with the increase of our recently redetermined borrowing base to \$2.2 billion. The expansion of our borrowing base is a testament to our increasing reserve base."

ABOUT THE COMPANY

SM Energy Company is an independent energy company engaged in the acquisition, exploration, development, and production of crude oil, natural gas, and natural gas liquids in onshore North America. SM Energy routinely posts important information about the Company on its website. For more information about SM Energy, please visit its website at <u>www.sm-energy.com</u>.

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