FORM 4

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

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GARDINER WILLIAM J					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [ SM ]										k all applicab	ionship of Reporting Po all applicable) Director		s) to Issuer 10% Ov	vner
(Last)	(First)	(N	fiddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/18/2014									Officer (g below)	Officer (give title below)		Other (s below)	specify	
1775 SHERMAN ST SUITE 1200					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									- 1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City)	(State)	(Z	lip)																
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ar) if	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)					ies Acquired (A) or Dispose str. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficiall Following	y Owned Reported	Form:	nership Direct (D) irect (I) 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 an				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 11/18					3/2014			M		9,772		A	\$20.87	65,907		D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 11/1					8/2014			<b>S</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		9,772		D	\$50.838(2	56,135		D			
			Table II -								sed of, o				ed				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tr	Code (Insti				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/E		Seci			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e Owners s Form: Direct (l or Indirect (I) (Insti	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$20.87	11/18/2014			M	4 9,772		9,772	(3)		12/31/2014		ommon Stock	9,772	\$0 0			D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The sales reported on this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person on August 5, 2014.
- 2. The price reflects an average of multiple transaction prices ranging from \$50.05 to \$51.60.
- 3. The options vested in four equal installments on December 31, 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007.

## Remarks:

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-

Fact)

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

11/20/2014
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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