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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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		Table I - Nor	n-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Ben	eficially Owned					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							
(Street) DENVER	СО	80203		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
SUITE 1200			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
1775 SHERM	AN STREET			Sr. VP & Regional Manager					
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2015	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lutey Mary Ellen			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SM Energy Co</u> [SM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner					

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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		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)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	12/31/2014		J ⁽¹⁾	v	99	A	\$32.793	15,350(2)	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	12/31/2014		J ⁽³⁾	v	98	A	\$32.793	9,666 ⁽²⁾	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	06/30/2015		J ⁽⁵⁾	v	446	A	\$32.793	15,796	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	06/30/2015		J ⁽⁶⁾	v	448	A	\$32.793	10,114	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		374	A	(7)	16,170	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		122	D	\$46.12	16,048	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		298	A	(7)	10,412	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		98	D	\$46.12	10,314	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		486	A	(8)	16,534	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		159	D	\$46.12	16,375	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		278	A	(8)	10,592	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		91	D	\$46.12	10,501	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		371	A	(9)	16,746	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		121	D	\$46.12	16,625	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		М		198	A	(9)	10,699	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2015		F		65	D	\$46.12	10,634	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2015		М		3,174	A	(10)	19,799	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2015		F		1,035	D	\$46.12	18,764	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2015		М		2,525	A	(11)	13,159	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2015		F		825	D	\$46.12	12,334	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband

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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				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	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	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)		
Restricted Stock Units	(7)	07/01/2015		М			374	(7)	(7)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	374	(7)	0	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(7)	07/01/2015		М			298	(7)	(7)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	298	(7)	0	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	07/01/2015		М			486	(8)	(8)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	486	(8)	487	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(8)	07/01/2015		М			278	(8)	(8)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	278	(8)	279	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Restricted Stock Units	(9)	07/01/2015		М			371	(9)	(9)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	371	(9)	744	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(9)	07/01/2015		М			198	(9)	(9)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	198	(9)	397	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Performance Share Units	(10)	07/01/2015		A		3,174		(10)	(10)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	3,174	(10)	3,174	D	
Performance Share Units	(10)	07/02/2015		М			3,174	(10)	(10)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	3,174	(10)	0	D	
Performance Share Units	(11)	07/02/2015		А		2,525		(11)	(11)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	2,525	(11)	2,525	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband
Performance Share Units	(11)	07/02/2015		М			2,525	(11)	(11)	Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	2,525	(11)	0	I ⁽⁴⁾	By husband

Explanation of Responses:

awards.

1. The reporting person purchased 99 shares of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2014, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

2. Ms. and Mr. Lutey's beneficially owned securities were previously reported in combined totals. This Form 4 reports their beneficially owned securities separately.

3. The reporting person's husband purchased 98 shares of the issuer's common stock on December 31, 2014, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

4. The reporting person's husband is also employed by the issuer, purchases the issuers's common stock through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan, and receives grants of restricted stock units and performance share

5. The reporting person purchased 446 shares of the issuer's common stock on June 30, 2015, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan,

6. The reporting person's husband purchased 448 shares of the issuer's common stock on June 30, 2015, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

7. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vested in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2013. The vested shares were issued to the

reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.

8. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2014. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

9. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal annual installments beginning July 1, 2015. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

10. On July 1, 2015, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the issuer determined that 3,174 shares of the issuer's common stock had been earned by the reporting person under the terms of a grant of performance share units (the "PSUs"), based on the achievement of specific performance criteria that were not tied solely to the market price of the issuer's common stock. The PSUs were granted to the reporting person on July 1, 2012, and represent the right to receive, upon the settlement of the PSUs, the determined number of earned shares of the issuer's common stock based on the achievement of the performance criteria over a three-year performance period (with the determined number of zero to two times the number of PSUs granted on the award date), to the extent that the PSUs have vested under separate employment service vesting provisions. The PSUs vested in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2013.

11. On July 1, 2015, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the issuer determined that 2,525 shares of the issuer's common stock had been earned by the reporting person's husband under the terms of a grant of performance share units (the "PSUs"), based on the achievement of specific performance criteria that were not tied solely to the market price of the issuer's common stock. The PSUs were granted to the reporting person on July 1, 2012, and represent the right to receive, upon the settlement of the PSUs, the determined number of earned shares of the issuer's common stock based on the achievement of the performance criteria over a three-year performance period (with the determined number of earned shares being within a range of zero to two times the number of PSUs granted on the award date), to the extent that the PSUs have vested under separate employment service vesting provisions. The PSUs vested in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2013.

Remarks:

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)

07/06/2015

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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