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 *  Newton Lehman E III			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [ SM ]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Own						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 1200			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2019	X	Officer (give title below) Sr. VP & Region	Other (specify below)					
(Street) DENVER (City)	CO (State)	80203 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	idual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha	, ,					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Reneficially Owned										

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	06/28/2019		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V	1,614	A	\$10.642	67,550	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		M		1,009	A	(2)	68,559	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		F		246	D	\$12.52	68,313	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		M		2,647	A	(3)	70,960	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		F		645	D	\$12.52	70,315	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		M		1,703	A	(4)	72,018	D			
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/01/2019		F		416	D	\$12.52	71,602	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative		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	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	(2)	07/01/2019		M			1,009	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,009	(2)	0	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	07/01/2019		М			2,647	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,647	(3)	2,647	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	07/01/2019		M			1,703	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,703	(4)	3,406	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The reporting person purchased 1,164 shares of the issuer's common stock on June 28, 2019, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 2. 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, 2017. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.
- 3. 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, 2018. 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.
- 4. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in six equal biannual installments beginning January 1, 2019. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the earlier of such person's retirement from the issuer or July 1 of the applicable year, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse

# Remarks:

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)

07/02/2019

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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