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

SCHEDULE 14A

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)

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SM ENERGY COMPANY

Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be Held Virtually on May 27, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. MDT

> This is not a ballot. You cannot use this to vote your shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you

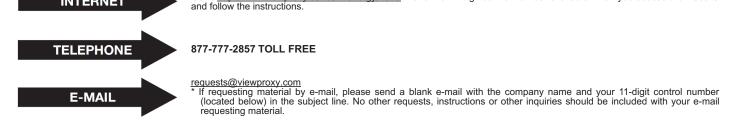
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				Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report to Stockholders are available at ://www.viewproxy.com/ sm-energy/2020.		
		Th	If you want to receive a paper or e-mail copy of these documents, you must request one. There is no charge to you for requesting a copy. Please make your request for a copy as instructed below on or before May 19, 2020 to facilitate timely delivery.			
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Notice is hereby Registered Hold Control Number	er, you may vote your shar below. Your registration m	ing of Stockholders of SN es at the Annual Meeting ust be received by 11:59	I Energy Company will be held by first registering at http://v PM EST May 21, 2020. On the ual Control Number with you di	www.viewproxy.com/sm-ener day of the meeting, you ma	gy/2020 using your Virtual by log in to the meeting at	
(1)			ne persons to stand for election a nt, no one has been nominated to			
	01 Carla J. Bailo	03 Stephen R. Brand	05 Javan D. Ottoson	07 Julio M. Quintana	09 William D. Sullivan	
	02 Larry W. Bickle	04 Loren M. Leiker	06 Ramiro G. Peru	08 Rose M. Robeson		
(2)		nding advisory basis, the co s, as disclosed in the accom	mpensation philosophy, policies panying Proxy Statement.	and procedures, and the comp	ensation of our Company's	
(3)	To ratify the appointmen	t by the Audit Committee of	Ernst & Young LLP as our indep	endent registered public accou	inting firm for 2020.	
(4)			ate of Incorporation to authorize a fauthorized shares of our comme		anding shares of common	
	The Board of	Directors recommend a	vote FOR all the nominees	listed and FOR Proposals	2, 3 and 4.	

The Securities and Exchange Commission rules permit us to make our proxy materials available to our stockholders via the Internet.

Go to http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020. Have the 11-digit control number available when you access the website

Material for this Annual Meeting and future meetings may be requested by one of the following methods:

INTERNET



You must use the 11-digit control number located in the box below to vote via Internet or to request proxy materials.

VIRTUAL CONTROL NO.

SM ENERGY COMPANY HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE VIRTUAL ANNUAL MEETING

The 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders of SM Energy Company will be held virtually on May 27, 2020 at 3:30 P.M. MDT. As a Registered Holder, you may vote your shares at the Annual Meeting by first registering at http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020 using your Virtual Control Number. Your registration must be received by 11:59 P.M. EDT on May 21, 2020. On the day of the meeting, you may log in to the meeting at http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020/VM using the password you received via email in your registration confirmation and follow the instructions to vote your shares. Please have your Virtual Control Number with you during the meeting in order to vote.

PROXY MATERIALS AVAILABLE TO VIEW OR RECEIVE

The following proxy materials are available to you to review: http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020

- The Company's 2019 Annual Report on Form 10-K
- The Company's 2020 Proxy Statement

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR PROXY MATERIALS

View Online:

Have your 11-digit control number in hand and visit http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020

Request and Receive a Paper or E-Mail Copy:

By Internet: http://www.viewproxy.com/sm-energy/2020

By Telephone: 1-877-777-2857 TOLL FREE

By E-Mail: requests@viewproxy.com. Please include "SM Energy" and your 11-digit control number in the subject line; do not include any other text or message in the e-mail.

VOTING METHODS

Via Internet Prior to the Annual Meeting: Go to http://www.AALVote.com/SM.

Have your 11-digit control number available and follow the prompts.

Your electronic vote prior to the Annual Meeting authorizes the named proxies to vote your shares in the same manner as if you marked, signed, dated and returned a proxy card.

Via Internet During the Annual Meeting: Go towww.AALVote.com/SM Have your 11-digit control number available and follow the prompts.

Via Mail: Request a paper copy of the materials which includes a proxy card. Follow the instructions on the proxy card for voting by mail.

Via Telephone: Request a paper copy of the materials, which includes a proxy card. Follow the instructions on the proxy card for voting by telephone.