

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)
May 27, 2021

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.)

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

80203
(Zip Code)

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

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

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2.):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common stock, \$0.01 par value	SM	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 27, 2021, SM Energy Company (the "**Company**") held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "**Annual Meeting**"). At the Annual Meeting, the Company's stockholders elected all of the incumbent directors that stood for reelection, and approved the three additional proposals described below. Each director was elected by a majority vote. The directors elected and the final vote tabulation for each director were as follows:

Director	For	Against	Abstain	Non-Votes
Carla J. Bailo	82,245,603	668,476	35,866	17,204,226
Stephen R. Brand	82,244,654	670,326	34,964	17,204,227
Ramiro G. Peru	82,451,407	463,781	34,757	17,204,226
Julio M. Quintana	68,104,434	14,810,208	35,303	17,204,226
Rose M. Robeson	80,614,519	2,300,207	35,220	17,204,225
William D. Sullivan	81,782,720	1,133,167	34,059	17,204,225
Herbert S. Vogel	82,400,160	517,907	31,877	17,204,227

The Company's stockholders approved, by a non-binding advisory vote, the proposal regarding the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For	79,837,115
Against	3,052,855
Abstain	59,973
Non-Votes	17,204,228

The Company's stockholders approved the proposal to ratify the appointment by the Company's Audit Committee of Ernst & Young LLP, as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2021. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For	99,420,352
Against	405,041
Abstain	328,778

The Company's stockholders approved the proposal regarding the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For	82,478,886
Against	430,891
Abstain	40,169
Non-Votes	17,204,225

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: June 1, 2021

By: /s/ ANDREW T. FISKE
Andrew T. Fiske
Deputy General Counsel and Corporate Secretary