FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Venkatraman Ashwin		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/26/2024	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [SM]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1700 LINCOLN STREET SUITE 3200			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
			X	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check oplicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person	
(Street) DENVER	СО	80203					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	` ` '	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	,	
No securities are beneficially owned.	0	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Un Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. 5. C Conversion Form	Form: Direct	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Andrew T. Fiske (Attorney-in-

Fact)

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

12/06/2024

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

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