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 * PHARO MILAM RANDOLPH					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [ SM ]										Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner					
(Last) 1775 SHERM	(First)	(N	fiddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2010								X	Officer (g below)	give title Oth		Other (s below)	· I		
SUITE 1200					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) DENVER	СО	80	80203									X	Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				g Person			
(City)	(State)	(Z	ip)																	
		Ta	able I - Nor	n-Deriv	/ativ	e Se	curiti	es Acq	uired, [	Disp	osed of	f, or Be	enefic	ially Ow	ned					
D				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		ities Acqu d Of (D) (I					Form	nership : Direct (D) lirect (I) . 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and				(11341.4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value 08/					01/2010		M		518		A	(1)	34,041			D				
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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/Yea	Co	, Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			d 7. Title and Amou Securities Underly Derivative Securit 3 and 4)		rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transaction	s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	de	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)	<u> </u>		
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	08/01/2010		1	М			518	08/01/201	0 08	3/01/2010	Comn		518	\$0	3,107		D		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. This transaction represents vesting of restricted stock units. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests over a three year period, with 1/7th vesting on August 1, 2010, 2/7th vesting on August 1, 2011, and 4/7th vesting on August 11, 2012. The vested shares are issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

## Remarks:

<u>Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)</u> 08/03/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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