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# 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 <sup>*</sup><br>Leyendecker Gregory T  |   |  |  |              |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SM Energy Co</u> [ SM ] |  |                |  |      |   |   |              |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>Director 10% Owner    |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--------------|--|---|--|----------------|--|------|---|---|--------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>1775 SHERMAN STREET   |   |  |  |              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>07/22/2013 |   |  |                |  |      |   |   |              | X   | Officer (g<br>below)<br>Sr. V   |  | gional   | Other (s<br>below)<br>I Manager  | specify  |  |
| SUITE 1200   |   |  |  |              | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)       |   |  |                |  |      |   |   |              |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (City)   | (State)   |  | able I - Nor   | n-Deri       | <br> vativ   | /e Se   | ecuritie   | s Acc          | wired  | Disr | osed o  | forF  | Benefi       |   | med   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)<br>2. Tran<br>Date<br>(Month   |   |  |  |              | saction  | n   | 2A. Deem<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/D  | ned<br>n Date, | Code (Instr.   |      | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4<br>Amount (A) or<br>(D) I |   | ) or         | 5. Amount<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Following<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 3 and | r Owned or Inc<br>Reported (Instr<br>n(s)   |  | vnership<br>1: Direct (D)<br>direct (I)<br>7: 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)        |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned           (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |  |              |  |   |  |                |  |      |   |   |              |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Dat<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Yo | te, Tr<br>Co | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)                        |   | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed<br>of (D) (Instr. 3,<br>4 and 5) |                | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      |   | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Ins<br>3 and 4) |              |   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) |  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |  | Ca           | ode  | v   | (A)  | (D)            | Date<br>Exercisal  |      | Expiration<br>Date  | Title   |              | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares   |   | (Instr. 4)   | 51(3)  |  |  |  |
| Restricted Stock<br>Units  | (1)   | 07/22/2013                                 |  |              | A  |   | 1,980  |                | (1)  |      | (1)   |   | nmon<br>tock | 1,980   | \$ <mark>0</mark>   | 1,980  | )  | D  |  |  |

### Explanation of Responses:

1. 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, 2014. 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.

#### Remarks:

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)

07/24/2013

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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