#### **BICKLE LARRY W**

Form 4

August 17, 2010

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BICKLE LARRY W			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [SM]				5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	, ,		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			(Check all applicable)  _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify					
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	(Street)			endment, D onth/Day/Yea	Č	al	I	6. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) X_Form filed by O	ne Reporting Pe	rson	
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi coror Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	08/13/2010			Code V	Amount 7,438	(D)	Price \$ 16.6562	(Instr. 3 and 4) 98,876	D		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	08/13/2010			S	3,350	D	\$ 37.095 (1)	95,526	D		

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.6562	08/13/2010		M	7,438	(2)	12/31/2010	Common Stock	7,438	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BICKLE LARRY W 1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 1200 DENVER, CO 80203	X					

### **Signatures**

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact) 08/17/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$37.05 to \$37.11 inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within such range.
- (2) The option vested in four equal installments on December 31, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

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