SM Energy Co
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Ottoson Javan D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 1200

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SM Energy Co [SM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/03/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

__X__ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	06/30/2017		J(1)	V	725	A	$ 14.05	145,827	D	
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	07/03/2017		M		2,775	A	(2)	148,602	D	
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	07/03/2017		F		888	D	$ 16.53	147,714	D	
Common Stock; $.01	07/03/2017		M		5,718	A	(3)	153,432	D	

Par Value								
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	07/03/2017		F	1,829	D	$ 16.53	151,603	D
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	07/03/2017		M	7,716	A	(4)	159,319	D
Common Stock; $.01 Par Value	07/03/2017		F	2,468	D	$ 16.53	156,851	D

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

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/03/2017		M			2,775	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	2,775	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	07/03/2017		M			5,718	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	5,718	
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	07/03/2017		M			7,716	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	7,716	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

Ottoson Javan D 1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 1200 DENVER, CO 80203	X	President & CEO

Signatures

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)	07/06/2017
**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).

(1) The reporting person purchased 725 shares of the issuer's common stock on June 30, 2017, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

(2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vested in three equal annual installments beginning on July 1, 2015. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.

(3) 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, 2016. 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.

(4) 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, 2017. 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.

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