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FORM 4

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

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obligations may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brand Stephen R

(First) (Middle) (Last)

1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE

1200

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SM Energy Co [SM]

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

05/20/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(D) or

D

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(A)

or

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired 3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D)

 $A^{(1)}$

4,962 A

Beneficially

Price

Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Securities

15,476

Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Beneficial

Form: Direct Indirect

Common Stock: \$.01 05/20/2015 Par Value

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)

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									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Brand Stephen R 1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 1200 DENVER, CO 80203	X						

Signatures

Karin M. Writer
(Attorney-In-Fact)

**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).
 - On May 20, 2015, the reporting person was granted 4,962 shares of the issuer's common stock for compensation as a board member.
- (1) These shares are earned ratably during the service period pursuant to the reporting person's election and are restricted until November 20, 2016.

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