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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 24, 2016
SM Energy Company (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
Delaware 001-31539 41-0518430 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)
1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1200, Denver, Colorado 80203 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (303) 861-8140
Not applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2.):
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[_] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[_] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 24, 2016, SM Energy Company (the "Company") held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the "Annual Meeting"). At the Annual Meeting, the Company's stockholders elected all of the incumbent directors that stood for reelection, and approved the three additional proposals described below. Each director was elected by a majority vote. The directors elected and the final vote tabulation for each director were as follows:

Director Against Abstain Non-Votes

Larry

52,866,708233,11645,648 9,320,822

Bickle

Stephen

R2,882,934216,98845,550 9,320,822

Brand

Loren

56,043,49356,409 45,570 9,320,822

Leiker

Javan

D2,967,516132,30645,650 9,320,822

Ottoson

Ramiro

62,859,962236,53548,975 9,320,822

Peru

Julio

52,851,656252,34141,475 9,320,822

Quintana

Rose

M,029,58970,423 45,460 9,320,822

Robeson

William

D2,965,861134,07645,535 9,320,822

Sullivan

The Company's stockholders approved the proposal to ratify the appointment by the Company's Audit Committee of Ernst & Young LLP, as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for 2016. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For 62,099,789

Against 271,568

Abstain 94,937

The Company's stockholders approved, by a non-binding advisory vote, the proposal regarding the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For 52,326,050 Against 708,743 Abstain 110,679 Non-Votes 9,320,822

The Company's stockholders approved the proposal regarding the amendment of the Company's Equity Incentive Plan.

The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

For 35,948,599 Against 17,123,211 Abstain 73,662 Non-Votes 9,320,822

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Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the following information, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information and Exhibit be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On May 26, 2016, the Company issued a press release announcing participation in upcoming investor conferences and the planned posting of related presentation materials. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Description

Press release of the Company dated May 26, 2016, entitled "SM Energy Announces Participation in Upcoming Investor Conferences"

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

SM ENERGY COMPANY

Date: May 26, 2016 By:/s/ David W. Copeland David W. Copeland

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary