

SM Energy Co  
Form 8-K  
February 21, 2018

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)  
February 21, 2018

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.):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

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, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On February 21, 2018, SM Energy Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its fourth quarter and full year 2017 financial and operating results, year end 2017 reserves, and the Company's 2018 operating plan. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated by reference herein.

As indicated in the press release, the Company posted both an investor presentation and pre-recorded discussion to its website in conjunction with this release. In addition, the Company scheduled a conference call for February 22, 2018, at 8:00 a.m. (Mountain Time) to answer questions. The conference call is publicly accessible via telephone and webcast, and the press release includes instructions for dialing in to the call or accessing via the Company's website. The slides that will be presented in conjunction with the pre-recorded discussion will be available for viewing on the Company's website beginning on February 21, 2018, although the Company reserves the right to discontinue that availability at any time.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report:

Exhibit Number	Description
<u>99.1</u>	<u>Press release of SM Energy Company dated February 21, 2018, entitled "SM Energy Reports 2017 Results and 2018 Operating Plan"</u>

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SIGNATURES

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

SM ENERGY COMPANY

Date: February 21, 2018 By: /s/ JEFFREY M. DAMM

Jeffrey M. Damm

Director of Corporate Accounting and Assistant Secretary