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# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Whitcomb David J. Issuer Symbol SM Energy Co [SM] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 07/02/2018 below) 1200 **VP-Marketing** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DENVER, CO 80203 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			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)		
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	12/29/2017		J <u>(1)</u>	V	206	A	\$ 14.05	48,009	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	06/29/2018		J(2)	V	470	A	\$ 18.768	48,479	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018		M		477	A	(3)	48,956	D	
Common Stock; \$.01	07/02/2018		F		139	D	\$ 25.69	48,817	D	

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Par Value							
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	M	683	A	<u>(4)</u>	49,500	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	F	198	D	\$ 25.69	49,302	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	M	1,512	A	<u>(5)</u>	50,814	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	F	439	D	\$ 25.69	50,375	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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. P Der Sec (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	07/02/2018		M	477	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	477	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	07/02/2018		M	683	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	683	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	07/02/2018		M	1,512	(5)	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,512	

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Whitcomb David J. 1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 1200 DENVER, CO 80203

**VP-Marketing** 

# **Signatures**

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact)

07/05/2018

\*\*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 206 shares of the issuer's common stock on December 29, 2017 through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (2) The reporting person purchased 470 shares of the issuer's common stock on June 29, 2018, through the issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- 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, 2016. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal (4) 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.
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal (5) annual installments beginning on July 1, 2018. 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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