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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1 Name and Address of Reporting Person

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1. Name and Ad Ottoson Javan		orting Person <u>*</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SM Energy Co [SM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 1200		ET, SUITE	(Month/Day/Year) 07/02/2018	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) below) President & CEO			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
DENVER, CO 80203							

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative :	Securi	ities Acqui	red, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) onor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	06/29/2018		Code V J(1) V	Amount 1,118	(D)	Price \$ 18.768	157,969	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018		M	5,719	A	(2)	163,688	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018		F	2,516	D	\$ 25.69	161,172	D	

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Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	M	7,716	A	(3)	168,888	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	F	3,394	D	\$ 25.69	165,494	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	M	25,206	A	<u>(4)</u>	190,700	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	07/02/2018	F	11,086	D	\$ 25.69	179,614	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	07/02/2018		M	5,719	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	5,719
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	07/02/2018		M	7,716	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	7,716
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	07/02/2018		M	25,206	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	25,206

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Ottoson Javan D

1775 SHERMAN STREET X President & CEO SUITE 1200

DENVER, CO 80203

Signatures

Karin M. Writer (Attorney-In-Fact) 07/05/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

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 1,118 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 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 (4) 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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