

Solomon Mark T  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Solomon Mark T

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1775 SHERMAN STREET, SUITE 1200  
(Street)

DENVER, CO 80203

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SM Energy Co [SM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
VP - Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	08/01/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,874	A	\$ 13,795	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	08/01/2012		F		3,381	D	\$ 47.3	10,414	D
Common Stock, \$.01 Par Value	08/01/2012		M		1,035	A	\$ 11,449	D	
Common Stock, \$.01	08/01/2012		F		322	D	\$ 47.3	11,127	D



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were settled in accordance with their terms on 08/01/2012.

Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grants vested as follows:

- (2) 260 shares on 8/1/10, 518 shares on 8/1/11 and 1,035 shares on 8/1/12. The vested shares were issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares lapsed.

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