

SM Energy Co  
Form 8-K  
February 23, 2017

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 22, 2017

SM Energy Company  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware                      001-31539    41-0518430  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)    (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer 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))



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 22, 2017, SM Energy Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its fourth quarter and full-year 2016 financial and operating results, year-end 2016 reserves, and the Company's 2017 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 has scheduled a conference call to discuss the 2016 results and the 2017 operating plan for February 23, 2017, at 8:00 a.m. (Mountain Time). 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 conference call will be available for viewing on the Company's website beginning on February 22, 2017, 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	Press release of SM Energy Company dated February 22, 2017, entitled "SM Energy Reports 2016
99.1	Results and 2017 Operating Plan: Driving Growth From Top Tier Assets"

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: February 22, 2017 By: /s/ PATRICK A. LYTLE

Patrick A. Lytle

Director, Financial Planning and Reporting and Assistant Secretary