

SM Energy Co  
Form 8-K  
April 18, 2013

**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):

**April 18, 2013 (April 16, 2013)**

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**SM Energy Company**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-31539**

(Commission  
File Number)

**41-0518430**

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1200, Denver, Colorado**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**80203**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(303) 861-8140**

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**Not applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

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 April 16, 2013, SM Energy Company (the *Company* ) issued a press release announcing that the Board of Directors of the Company had declared a semi-annual dividend. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and incorporated by reference herein.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this report:

| <b>Exhibit Number</b> | <b>Description</b>                                                                                       |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 99.1                  | Press release of the Company dated April 16, 2013, entitled SM Energy Declares Semi-Annual Cash Dividend |

**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: April 18, 2013

By:

/s/ David W. Copeland  
David W. Copeland  
Executive Vice President, General Counsel and  
Corporate Secretary