

SM Energy Co  
Form 8-K  
May 27, 2011

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)  
May 26, 2011 (May 25, 2011)

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

Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

001-31539  
(Commission  
File Number)

41-0518430  
(I.R.S. 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

Not applicable  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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Item 5.07

Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

On May 25, 2011, SM Energy Company (the “Company”) held its Annual Meeting of Stockholders (the “Annual Meeting”). At the Annual Meeting, the Company’s stockholders elected all of the incumbent directors, and approved the three additional proposals described below. Each director was elected by a majority vote. The directors elected and the final vote tabulation for each director were as follows:

| Director            | For        | Against | Abstain | Non-Votes |
|---------------------|------------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Barbara M. Bauman   | 55,385,689 | 306,794 | 2,916   | 4,634,960 |
| Anthony J. Best     | 55,500,865 | 174,695 | 19,839  | 4,634,960 |
| Larry W. Bickle     | 55,465,404 | 226,889 | 3,106   | 4,634,960 |
| Stephen R. Brand    | 55,160,847 | 67,739  | 466,813 | 4,634,960 |
| William J. Gardin   | 55,409,957 | 282,522 | 2,920   | 4,634,960 |
| Julio M. Quintana   | 55,565,870 | 126,512 | 3,017   | 4,634,960 |
| John M. Seidl       | 54,999,662 | 691,847 | 3,890   | 4,634,960 |
| William D. Sullivan | 55,638,417 | 54,159  | 2,823   | 4,634,960 |

The Company’s stockholders also approved the proposal to ratify the appointment by the Company’s Audit Committee of Deloitte & Touche LLP, as the Company’s independent registered public accounting firm for 2011. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

|         |            |
|---------|------------|
| For     | 60,084,006 |
| Against | 244,964    |
| Abstain | 1,389      |

The Company’s stockholders also approved, by a non-binding advisory vote, the proposal regarding the compensation of the Company’s named executive officers. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

|           |            |
|-----------|------------|
| For       | 54,588,080 |
| Against   | 169,785    |
| Abstain   | 937,534    |
| Non-Votes | 4,634,960  |

The Company’s stockholders also approved, by a non-binding advisory vote, an annual non-binding advisory vote regarding compensation of the Company’s named executive officers. The final vote tabulation for that proposal was as follows:

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|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| One year    | 36,698,680 |
| Two years   | 132,585    |
| Three years | 17,872,463 |
| Abstain     | 991,671    |
| Non-Votes   | 4,634,960  |

Based on these results, the Company's Board of Directors determined to hold the non-binding advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers annually until the next stockholder vote on the frequency of such advisory votes.

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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: May 26, 2011

By: /s/ KELLY E. COLLINS  
Kelly E. Collins  
Director of Financial  
Reporting & Assistant  
Corporate Secretary