

SM Energy Co
Form 8-K
August 09, 2016

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)

August 8, 2016

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

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

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 - o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On August 8, 2016, SM Energy Company (the Company) entered into a Seventh Amendment (the Amendment) to the Fifth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the Credit Agreement) by and among the Company, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent (the Agent), and the institutions named therein as lenders. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Amendment or the Credit Agreement, as applicable.

The Amendment modifies the Credit Agreement to allow the Company to purchase bond hedge or capped call options.

The foregoing description of the Amendment does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amendment, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information set forth in Item 1.01 of this Current Report on Form 8-K is incorporated into this Item 2.03 by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:
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| Exhibit 10.1 | Seventh Amendment to Fifth Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated August 8, 2016, among SM Energy Company, Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent, and the Lenders party thereto |
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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: August 9, 2016

By:

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

EXHIBIT INDEX

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