

Lutey Mary Ellen
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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|---|----------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Lutey Mary Ellen | | (Month/Day/Year) | SM Energy Co [SM] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 12/05/2012 | | |
| 1775 SHERMAN STREET,Â SUITE 1200 | | | (Check all applicable) | |
| | (Street) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director | <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner |
| | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| | | | (give title below) | (specify below) |
| | | | VP & Regional Manager | |
| | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| DENVER,Â COÂ 80203 | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value | 11,993 | D | Â |
| Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value | 7,125 | I | By husband ⁽⁴⁾ |
| Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value | 1,000 | I | Jointly with husband |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying | 4. Conversion | 5. Ownership | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Title | Amount or Number of Shares | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
|------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|----------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (1) | Â (1) | Common Stock | 614 | \$ (1) | D | Â |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (1) | Â (1) | Common Stock | 410 | \$ (1) | I | By husband (4) |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (2) | Â (2) | Common Stock | 485 | \$ (2) | D | Â |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (2) | Â (2) | Common Stock | 377 | \$ (2) | I | By husband (4) |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (2) | Â (2) | Common Stock | 79 | \$ (2) | D | Â |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (2) | Â (2) | Common Stock | 61 | \$ (2) | I | By husband (4) |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (3) | Â (3) | Common Stock | 1,120 | \$ (3) | D | Â |
| Restricted Stock Units | Â (3) | Â (3) | Common Stock | 891 | \$ (3) | I | By husband (4) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Lutey Mary Ellen 1775 SHERMAN STREET SUITE 1200 DENVER,Â COÂ 80203 | Â | Â | Â VP & Regional Manager | Â |

Signatures

Karin M. Writer
(Attorney-In-Fact) 12/13/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests over a three year period, with 1/7th vesting on July 1, 2011, 2/7th vesting on July 1, 2012, and 4/7th vesting on July 1, 2013. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.
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- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests over a three year period, with 1/7th vesting on July 1, 2012, 2/7th vesting on July 1, 2013, and 4/7th vesting on July 1, 2014. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.

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- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of stock. The restricted stock unit grant vests in three equal
- (3) annual installments beginning July 1, 2013. The vested shares will be issued to the reporting person on the vesting dates, at which time all restrictions on the vested shares will lapse.
 - (4) The reporting person's husband is also employed by the issuer and receives restricted stock units from the issuer as part of his compensation.

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