SM Energy Co Form 8-K January 10, 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)

January 10, 2017

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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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 (the *Securities Act*), or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On January 10, 2017, SM Energy Company (the *Company*) issued a press release announcing that it planned to market and sell its remaining assets in the Williston Basin. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit NumberDescription99.1Press release of the Company dated January 10, 2017, entitledSM Energy Announces Plans To Further Core-Up Portfolio
with the Sale of Divide County Assets

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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: January 10, 2017

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

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