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February 02, 2016

SCHEDULE 13G

(Rule 13d-102)

Information to be Included in Statements Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), (c)  
and (d) and Amendments Thereto Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-2.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. 1)\*

SM ENERGY COMPANY

-----  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

-----  
(Title of Class of Securities)

78454L100

-----  
(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2015

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule  
is filed:

☒ Rule 13d-1(b)

☐ Rule 13d-1(c)

☐ Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's  
initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities,  
and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the  
disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be  
deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange  
Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of  
the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see  
the Notes).

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| 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON                                                             |                            |
| Artisan Partners Limited Partnership                                                   |                            |
| 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP                                     |                            |
| (see Instructions)                                                                     |                            |
| (a) <input type="checkbox"/>                                                           |                            |
| (b) <input type="checkbox"/>                                                           |                            |
| Not Applicable                                                                         |                            |
| 3 SEC USE ONLY                                                                         |                            |
| 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION                                                 |                            |
| Delaware                                                                               |                            |
| 5 SOLE VOTING POWER                                                                    |                            |
| None                                                                                   |                            |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIALLY<br>OWNED BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON<br>WITH | 6 SHARED VOTING POWER      |
|                                                                                        | 2,570,512                  |
|                                                                                        | 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |
|                                                                                        | None                       |
|                                                                                        | 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER |
|                                                                                        | 2,689,031                  |
| 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON                         |                            |
| 2,689,031                                                                              |                            |
| 10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES                |                            |
| (see Instructions)                                                                     |                            |
| Not Applicable                                                                         |                            |
| 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)                                   |                            |
| 4.0%                                                                                   |                            |
| 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON                                                            |                            |
| (see Instructions)                                                                     |                            |
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|----------------------------------------------------|--|
| 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON                         |  |
| Artisan Investments GP LLC                         |  |
| 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP |  |
| (see Instructions)                                 |  |
| (a) <input type="checkbox"/>                       |  |
| (b) <input type="checkbox"/>                       |  |
| Not Applicable                                     |  |
| 3 SEC USE ONLY                                     |  |
| 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION             |  |
| Delaware                                           |  |

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| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIALLY<br>OWNED BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON<br>WITH                                                                 | 5 SOLE VOTING POWER<br>None |
| <hr/>                                                                                                                                                  |                             |
| 6 SHARED VOTING POWER<br>2,570,512                                                                                                                     |                             |
| <hr/>                                                                                                                                                  |                             |
| 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER<br>None                                                                                                                       |                             |
| <hr/>                                                                                                                                                  |                             |
| 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER<br>2,689,031                                                                                                                |                             |
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| 9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON<br>2,689,031                                                                            |                             |
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| 10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES<br>(see Instructions) <span style="float: right;">[ ]</span><br>Not Applicable |                             |
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| 11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)<br>4.0%                                                                                           |                             |
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| 12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON<br>(see Instructions)<br>HC                                                                                                |                             |
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| 1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON<br>Artisan Partners Holdings LP                             |                             |                    |
| <hr/>                                                                                  |                             |                    |
| 2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP<br>(see Instructions)               |                             | (a) [ ]<br>(b) [ ] |
| Not Applicable                                                                         |                             |                    |
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| 3 SEC USE ONLY                                                                         |                             |                    |
| <hr/>                                                                                  |                             |                    |
| 4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION<br>Delaware                                     |                             |                    |
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| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIALLY<br>OWNED BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON<br>WITH | 5 SOLE VOTING POWER<br>None |                    |
| <hr/>                                                                                  |                             |                    |
| 6 SHARED VOTING POWER<br>2,570,512                                                     |                             |                    |
| <hr/>                                                                                  |                             |                    |
| 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER<br>None                                                       |                             |                    |
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| 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER<br>2,689,031                                                |                             |                    |
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9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
2,689,031

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
(see Instructions) ☐  
Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
4.0%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
(see Instructions)  
HC

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  
(see Instructions) (a) ☐  
(b) ☐  
Not Applicable

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
Delaware

|                                                                                        |   |                          |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|
|                                                                                        | 5 | SOLE VOTING POWER        |  |
|                                                                                        |   | None                     |  |
| NUMBER OF<br>SHARES<br>BENEFICIALLY<br>OWNED BY<br>EACH<br>REPORTING<br>PERSON<br>WITH | 6 | SHARED VOTING POWER      |  |
|                                                                                        |   | 2,570,512                |  |
|                                                                                        | 7 | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER   |  |
|                                                                                        |   | None                     |  |
|                                                                                        | 8 | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER |  |
|                                                                                        |   | 2,689,031                |  |

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2,689,031

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES  
(see Instructions) ☐  
Not Applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
4.0%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON  
(see Instructions)  
HC

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Item 1(a) Name of Issuer:

SM ENERGY COMPANY

Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1200, Denver, Colorado 80203

Item 2(a) Name of Person Filing:

Artisan Partners Limited Partnership ("APLP")  
Artisan Investments GP LLC ("Artisan Investments")  
Artisan Partners Holdings LP ("Artisan Holdings")  
Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc. ("APAM")

Item 2(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

APLP, Artisan Investments, Artisan Holdings, and APAM are all located at:

875 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 800  
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Item 2(c) Citizenship:

APLP is a Delaware limited partnership  
Artisan Investments is a Delaware limited liability company  
Artisan Holdings is a Delaware limited partnership  
APAM is a Delaware corporation

Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock

Item 2(e) CUSIP Number:

78454L100

Item 3 Type of Person:

(e) APLP is an investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

(g) Artisan Holdings is the sole limited partner of APLP and the sole member of Artisan Investments; Artisan Investments is the general partner of APLP; APAM is the general partner of Artisan Holdings.

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Item 4 Ownership (at December 31, 2015):

(a) Amount owned "beneficially" within the meaning of rule 13d-3:

2,689,031

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(b) Percent of class:

4.0% (based on 67,974,771 shares outstanding as of 10/21/2015)

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

None

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

2,570,512

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

None

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

2,689,031

Item 5 Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X].

Item 6 Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable

Item 7 Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person:

Not Applicable

Item 8 Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Item 9 Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

Item 10 Certification:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: February 2, 2016

ARTISAN PARTNERS ASSET MANAGEMENT  
INC,  
for itself and as the general  
partner of  
ARTISAN PARTNERS HOLDINGS LP

By: Gregory K. Ramirez \*

ARTISAN INVESTMENTS GP LLC,  
for itself and as the general  
partner of  
ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Gregory K. Ramirez \*

\*By: /s/ Gregory K. Ramirez

Gregory K. Ramirez  
Senior Vice President of  
Artisan Partners Asset  
Management Inc.  
Vice President of Artisan  
Investments GP LLC

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement dated February 2, 2016 by and among Artisan Partners Limited Partnership, Artisan Investments GP LLC, Artisan Partners Holdings LP, and Artisan Partners Asset Management Inc.

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EXHIBIT 1

JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

The undersigned hereby agree to the joint filing of the Schedule 13G to which this Agreement is attached.

Dated: February 2, 2016

ARTISAN PARTNERS ASSET MANAGEMENT

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INC,  
for itself and as the general  
partner of  
ARTISAN PARTNERS HOLDINGS LP

By: Gregory K. Ramirez \*

ARTISAN INVESTMENTS GP LLC,  
for itself and as the general  
partner of  
ARTISAN PARTNERS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: Gregory K. Ramirez \*

\*By: /s/ Gregory K. Ramirez

Gregory K. Ramirez  
Senior Vice President of  
Artisan Partners Asset  
Management Inc.  
Vice President of Artisan  
Investments GP LLC

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