

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO

Form 8-K

October 21, 2014

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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): October 21, 2014**

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**SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

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**Delaware**

**(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)**

**1-08246**  
**(Commission File Number)**

**71-0205415**  
**(IRS Employer Identification No.)**

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2350 N. Sam Houston Pkwy. E., Suite 125,

Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

77032

(Zip Code)

(281) 618-4700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

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

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management**

**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(d) On October 20, 2014, the Board of Directors of Southwestern Energy Company (the Company) elected Terry W. Rathert as a director of the Company effective October 20, 2014, for a term expiring at the annual meeting of stockholders in 2015. With the election of Mr. Rathert, the Board of Directors has nine members.

The selection of Mr. Rathert was not pursuant to any arrangement or understanding between him and any other person. Mr. Rathert has not been appointed to serve on any of the committees of the Board of Directors and is not expected to be so appointed at this time.

There are no transactions between Mr. Rathert and the Company that are required to be reported under Item 404(a) of Regulation S-K.

In connection with his election as a director, Mr. Rathert will receive a pro-rated annual cash retainer for the remainder of the 2014-2015 term.

**Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits**

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1                      Press release dated October 21, 2014.

**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.

**SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY COMPANY**

Dated: October 21, 2014

By:     /s/    R. CRAIG OWEN      
Name: R. Craig Owen  
Title: Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

**Exhibit  
Number**

**Description**

99.1                    Press release dated October 21, 2014.