

SOUTHWESTERN ENERGY CO

Form 8-K

December 11, 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): December 5, 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.

On December 5, 2014, Southwestern Energy Company (the "Company") appointed William J. Way as President effective as of December 5, 2014. Mr Way will continue to serve as Chief Operating Officer of the Company. Steven L. Mueller ceased service as our President as of the close of business on that date and will continue to serve as our Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Prior to the above appointment, Mr. Way, 55, served as Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Company since October 2011. Mr. Way earned his undergraduate degree from Texas A&M University in Industrial Engineering and has an MBA from The Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has over 30 years of international oil and gas industry experience serving in multiple operational and technical leadership roles prior to joining the Company at BG Group plc and ConocoPhillips. Mr. Way joined BG Group plc in 2007 as Senior Vice President, Americas, with responsibility for E&P, Midstream and LNG operations in the United States, Trinidad and Tobago, Chile, Bolivia, Canada and Argentina as well as BG's global shipping business. Mr. Way began his career at Conoco in 1981 and, over the course of his more than twenty-seven year tenure, he held a wide range of senior leadership positions in E&P, LNG, Midstream and Shipping operations in the United States, Scotland, United Arab Emirates, and Trinidad and Tobago

## Section 7 - Regulation FD

### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On December 10, 2014, the Company issued a press release with respect to the events disclosed in Item 5.02 above. This press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information in this Item 7.01 and the exhibits shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

## Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

99.1                      Press release issued by Southwestern Energy Company on December 10, 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: December 11, 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**

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