XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

September 16, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HART CATHY J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

414 NICOLLET MALL

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

09/15/2011

VP & Corporate Secretary

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

(Instr. 4)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

(City) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 8)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

Owned

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriva
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Securi

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Ionth/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	d of					(Instr.
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	09/15/2011		A		11.99		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	11.99	\$ 25

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HART CATHY J 414 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

VP & Corporate Secretary

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in fact for Cathy J. 09/16/2011 Hart

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of reporting persons employment.

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