XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

November 17, 2011

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Check all applicable)

414 NICOLLET MALL

(Month/Day/Year)

11/16/2011

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

below) VP & Corporate Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

9,839.804 (1)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

Code V Amount

401K

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	11/16/2011		A	11.614	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	11.614	\$ 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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.
Hart

11/17/2011

**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).
- Between March 2, 2011 and November 16, 2011, the reporting person acquired approximately 297.500 shares of Xcel Energy common (1) stock under the Xcel Energy 401(k) Savings Plan. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of November 16, 2011
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of reporting persons employment.

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