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FORM 4

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 *

Koehl Dennis L

(First) (Middle)

414 NICOLLET MALL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Senior VP & CNO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of

(Street)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

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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 of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pr
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	TransactionDerivative		Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deri
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) (Inst Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date Number of Shares Phantom Common (1) (1) \$0 02/01/2012 34.853 Α 34.853 Stock Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Koehl Dennis L 414 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

Senior VP & CNO

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in Fact for Dennis L. Koehl

02/02/2012

**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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