XCEL ENERGY INC

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HART CATHY J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
414 NICOLI	LET MALL		(Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2012	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specifically) below) VP & Corporate Secretary			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transactiom Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Pr			d (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/02/2012		I	10,554.632	D	\$ 27.9	0	I	401(k) stock		
Common Stock							72,072.247 (1)	D			

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

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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 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. Transaction 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 27.9	11/02/2012		I		4,934.489	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	4,934.489

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

11/06/2012

**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) Includes 1,952.284 shares of common stock acquired pursuant to reinvestment of common stock dividends.
- (2) Represents shares of phantom stock in the Xcel Energy Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). Amounts deferred to the Plan are payable in cash following termination of reporting persons employment.

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