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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Stoering Mark E Issuer Symbol XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1414 WEST HAMILTON AVE. 02/20/2013 below) President & CEO, NSPW (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative S	ecuriti	es Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	es Acquired posed of (D) and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/20/2013		A	234.615	A	\$0	51,031.614	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2013		F	81.615	D	\$ 28.3	50,949.999 (1)	D	
Common Stock							418.849 (2)	I	401(k)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if		5. onNumber	6. Date Exer Expiration D	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S	Securities	Derivative
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			(Instr. 3 and	Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	0	

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Stoering Mark E

1414 WEST HAMILTON AVE. President & CEO, NSPW

EAU CLAIRE, WI 54702

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in Fact for Mark E. 02/22/2013 Stoering

> **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) A fractional share interest was sold.
- Shares held in the Xcel Energy Stock Fund under the Xcel Energy 401(K) Savings Plan as of the most recent plan statement (February 20, 2013).
- (3) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of reporting persons employment.
- (4) Stock equivalent units held under the Xcel Energy Deferred Compensation Plan as of the most recent plan statement (February 20, 2013).

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