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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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(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading SAMPSON A PATRICIA Issuer Symbol XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 3385 SYCAMORE LANE 03/28/2013

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

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

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

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Person

PLYMOUTH, MN 55402

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 2,098.774 (1) Stock

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, an 5)	Expiration 1 (Month/Dayor D)			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	\$ 0 (2)	03/28/2013		A	119.877	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	119.877	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting Owner France / Francess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
SAMPSON A PATRICIA 3385 SYCAMORE LANE PLYMOUTH, MN 55402	X					

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in fact for A. Patricia
Sampson
04/01/2013

**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 19.168 shares of common stock acquired pursuant to reinvestment of common stock dividends.
- (2) Security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (3) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of common stock following termination of a reporting persons service. Partial shares are payable in cash.
- (4) Includes 942.786 shares of stock equivalent units acquired pursuant to reinvestment of phantom stock dividends.

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