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FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FOWKE BENJAMIN G S III	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 NICOLLET MALL	(Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2015	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) below) Chairman, President and CEO			
(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) Tal	ble I - Non	-Derivative Se	curiti	es Acquir	red, Disposed of, o	or Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities op Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 an	of (D)	red (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	03/02/2015		F		D	\$ 34.75	346,205.766 (1)	D	
Common Stock							1,823.008	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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FOWKE BENJAMIN G S III 414 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	X		Chairman, President and CEO				

Signatures

Wendy B. Mahling, Attorney in Fact for Benjamin G.S. 03/04/2015 Fowke III

> **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).

Withholding of stock to satisfy tax withholding obligation on vesting of an award of restricted stock under the Xcel Energy Executive Annual Incentive Award Program that were included in the common stock holdings reported by the reporting person on Form 4 filed on February 19, 2015. A fractional share interest was sold in connection with the vesting of the award.

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