XCEL ENERGY INC Form 4

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FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LESHER CYNTHIA L

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

800 NICOLLET MALL 04/29/2005

(Zip)

(Middle)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

VP, Xcel Energy Services Inc.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

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

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Price of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionNumber **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Derivativ Security or Exercise Code of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) Security any

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(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derivative

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					(A) or Disposed						
					of (D))					
					(Instr.						
	4, and 5)										
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount	
							Exercisable	Bute		Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	04/29/2005	A		4.8		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common	4.8	\$ 17.18

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LESHER CYNTHIA L 800 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

VP, Xcel Energy Services Inc.

Signatures

(Instr. 3)

Price of

Carol J. Peterson, Attorney-in-Fact for Cynthia L. Lesher 05/03/2005

**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 person's employment.

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