XCEL ENERGY INC Form 4 April 04, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HART CATHY J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 800 NICOLLET MALL 03/31/2006

(Middle)

(Zip)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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

below) Vice President & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

(State)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 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 Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported (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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriva
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Securi

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)	d of				(1	(Instr.
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	03/31/2006		A	29.61		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	29.61	\$ 18

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HART CATHY J 800 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

Vice President & Secretary

Signatures

Carol J. Peterson, Attorney-in-Fact for Cathy

J. Hart 04/04/2006

**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.
- (2) Includes the annual company stock match.

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