XCEL ENERGY INC Form 4

May 02, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

800 NICOLLET MALL

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

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

04/28/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3.

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities

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(Check all applicable)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Vice President & Secretary

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

Issuer

(City) (State) (Zip)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

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

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

Common Stock

21,625.74 (1)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
Phantom	\$ 0	04/28/2006		Code V	and 5) (A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title Common Stock	Amount or Number of Shares	\$ 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 05/02/2006

**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) Includes 188.96 shares of stock acquired pursuant to reinvestment of dividends.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of reporting person's employment.

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