XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| Name and Address of Reporting Person KELLY RICHARD C | 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) 12/02/2009 | X Director 10% Owner Selfont (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) | | |
| MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401 | | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

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| (City) | (State) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securiti oror Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) | ed of (| ` | 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 | 12/02/2009 | | M | 69,750 | A | \$ 20.0403 | 418,374.29 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/02/2009 | | S | 69,750 | D | \$ 20.4257 | 348,624.29 (2) | D | |

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 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) | 5. Number of dDerivative Expiration Date Expiration Date Expiration Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | 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 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 20.0403 | 12/02/2009 | | M | 69,750 | (3) | 12/12/2009 | Common Stock | 69,750 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| KELLY RICHARD C | | | | | | | |
| 414 NICOLLET MALL | X | | President and CEO | | | | |
| MINNEAPOLIS MN 55401 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney-in-fact for Richard C.

Kelly

**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).
- Price is the volume weighted average selling price of all purchases by the reporting person on the transaction date. Actual prices ranged
- (1) from \$20.38 to \$20.49. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request of the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) Includes 303.412 shares of stock acquired pursuant to reinvestment of dividends.
- (3) The option vested in three equal installments on December 13, 2000, 2001, 2002.

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