XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

February 18, 2016

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Stoering Mark E Issuer Symbol XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 1414 WEST HAMILTON AVE. 02/16/2016 below) President, NSPW (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting EAU CLAIRE, WI 54702 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tak	ole I - Non-	Derivative Se	curitie	s Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	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 and Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	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	02/16/2016		A	7,692.322 (1)	A	\$ 0	66,631.322	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2016		F	3,459.322	D	\$ 38.82	63,172	D	
Common Stock							813.159 (2)	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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Stoering Mark E

1414 WEST HAMILTON AVE. President, NSPW

EAU CLAIRE, WI 54702

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in Fact for Mark E.
Stoering
02/18/2016

**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) A fractional share interest was settled in cash in connection with the settlement of a restricted stock unit award and the withholding of shares for taxes.
- (2) Shares held in the Xcel Energy Stock Fund under the Xcel Energy 401(K) Savings Plan as of the most recent plan statement (February 17, 2016).

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