XCEL ENERGY INC Form 4

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **OBRIEN RICHARD T**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

2376 S. LAFAYETTE STREET

(Month/Day/Year) 05/21/2015

Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Person

DENVER, CO 80210

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Reported 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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount or Exercisable Number of Date Shares Phantom Common (2) (2) \$ 0 (1) 3,899.48 05/21/2015 3,899.48 Α Stock Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

OBRIEN RICHARD T 2376 S. LAFAYETTE STREET X DENVER, CO 80210

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in Fact for Richard T. O'Brien

05/21/2015

**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) Security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares of common stock following termination of a reporting persons service. Partial shares are payable in cash.
- (3) Includes 199.996 shares of common stock acquired pursuant to reinvestment of common stock dividends

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