Policinski Christopher J. Form 4 December 02, 2009

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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subject to Section 16. Form 4 or

Form 5 obligations may continue.

See Instruction

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

1(b).

SECURITIES

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Policinski Christopher J.

(First) (Middle) (Last)

4001 LEXINGTON AVENUE NORTH

(State)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

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

ARDEN HILLS, MN 55126

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

(City)

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A) or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Reported

Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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(Instr. 4)

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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

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

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

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8	Dispose	ed (A) or ed of (D) 3, 4, and				
				Code	V (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 (1)	12/01/2009		A	1,587	.68	(2)	(2)	Common	1,587.68

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting of the Fund of Fundament	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Policinski Christopher J. 4001 LEXINGTON AVENUE NORTH ARDEN HILLS, MN 55126	X					

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney-in-fact for Christopoher J.
Policinski

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Date

- (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 reporting person's service. Partial shares are payable in cash.

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