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September 05, 2017 FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b). UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 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							N OMB Number: Expires: Estimated burden hou response	Number:3235-0287Expires:January 31, 2005Estimated average burden hours per response0.5	
(Print or Type	e Responses)								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Clark Christopher B			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 414 NICOLLET MALL			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2017			(Check all applicable) <u></u> Director <u></u> 10% Owner <u></u> Officer (give title <u></u> Other (specify below) President, NSPM			
MINNEAI	1	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deemec Execution D any (Month/Day	Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V	4. Securiti onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4 Amount	(A) or of (D)	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)
Reminder: Ro	eport on a separate lin	e for each clas	ss of sect	urities bene	Perso inform requir	ns who res nation cont ed to respo	or indirectly. spond to the colle ained in this forn ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co	n are not rm	SEC 1474 (9-02)

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriva
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Securi

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Yo	ear) (Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)					(Instr.
			Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	08/31/2017	А	8.586	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	8.586	\$ 49

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Clark Christopher B 414 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401			President, NSPM				
Signatures							

Charlynn M. Stevens, Attorney in Fact for Christopher B. 09/05/2017 Clark <u>**</u>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) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive the cash value of one share of common stock.

(2) Shares of phantom stock become payable in accordance with the reporting person's distribution elections made pursuant to the Xcel
 (a) Energy Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan"). Subject to certain timing restrictions and other limitations based on the source of the amount deferred, the reporting person may generally transfer some or all of the balance in the Plan's Company stock account into an alternative Plan investment account.

(3) The number of shares of phantom stock reflects minor adjustments to the number of phantom shares credited to the reporting person's Company stock account due to the unitized nature of the Plan's Company stock fund.

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