

XCEL ENERGY INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
O'Connor Timothy John

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
414 NICOLLET MALL  
  
(Street)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/21/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior VP and CNO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	02/21/2017		A	2,142.717	A (1) 7,045.717	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		M	4,490.732	A (2) 11,536.449	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		F	2,707.25	D \$ 42 8,829 (3)	D	
Common Stock					314.88 (4)	I	401(k)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.



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Shares of phantom stock become payable in accordance with the reporting person's distribution election made under the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").

- (6) The number of shares of phantom stock reflects additional shares credited upon the deemed reinvestment of dividend equivalents as well as minor adjustments due to the unitized nature of the Plan's Issuer stock fund.
- (7) Number of shares and units shown reflects the reinvestment of dividend equivalents since the original grant of 4,042 units.
- (8) Award vested on December 31, 2016 but was settled in shares of common stock on February 21, 2017.

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