XCEL ENERGY INC Form 8-K April 29, 2002

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) April 24, 2002

Xcel Energy Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-3034 41-0448030

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

800 Nicollet Mall, Mpls, MN 55402

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code <u>612-330-550</u>0

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events

On April 24, 2002, Xcel Energy Inc. announced earnings for the first quarter of 2002. For more information see the press release included in this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.01.

INVESTORS AND SECURITIY HOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE EXCHANGE OFFER DOCUMENTS BECAUSE THEY CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

This release includes forward-looking statements that are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions. Such forward-looking statements are intended to be identified in this document by the words anticipate, estimate, expect, projected, objective, outlook, possible potential and similar expressions. Actual results may vary materially. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to: general economic conditions, including their impact on capital expenditures; business conditions in the energy industry; competitive factors; unusual weather; changes in federal or state legislation; regulation; risks associated with the California power market; currency translation and transaction adjustments; the higher degree of risk associated with Xcel Energy s nonregulated businesses compared with Xcel Energy s regulated business; the satisfaction of all conditions to the exchange offer that cannot be waived and the satisfaction or waiver of conditions to the exchange offer that may be waived; and the other risk factors listed from time to time by Xcel Energy in reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including Exhibit 99.01 to Xcel Energy s report on Form 10-K for year 2001.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.01	Press Release First Quarter Xcel Energy Earnings

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Xcel Energy Inc. (a Minnesota Corporation)

/s/ Edward J. McIntyre

Edward J. McIntyre Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

April 26, 2002