XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

October 18, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BRUNETTI WAYNE H**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 10/14/2005

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

below)

below) Chairman

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4. If Amendment, Date Original

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

(City) (State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3.

(Instr. 8)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (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 (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A)

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.

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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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	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/Year)	(Instr. 8	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	\$ 0	10/14/2005		A		30.48		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	30.48	\$ 18

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
BRUNETTI WAYNE H 800 NICOLLET MALL	X		Chairman					
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402	21		Chamhan					

Signatures

Carol J. Peterson, Attorney-in-Fact for Wayne H.

Brunetti

**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) Shares of phantom stock are payable in cash following termination of reporting person's employment.

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