XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

800 NICOLLET MALL

(Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2004

below)

below)

Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

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

Person

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402

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

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

5. Amount of

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common

293,739.2

Common

2,447.53 I **ESSOP**

D

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

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

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ion Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed o (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	we Expiration l (Month/Day			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0	11/30/2004		Code V		Date Exercisable D)	Expiration Date	Title Common	Amount or Number of Shares 55.37	\$ 18

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
noporous o water runte / runte oo	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BRUNETTI WAYNE H 800 NICOLLET MALL MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55402	X		Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

Carol J. Peterson, Attorney-in-Fact for Wayne H.
Brunetti
12/02/2004

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

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