XCEL ENERGY INC

Form 4

September 30, 2015

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BOUDREAUX GAIL**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

414 NICOLLET MALL

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/28/2015

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Person

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

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

4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial Owned Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of 8. Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V **Expiration Title** (A) (D) Date Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock 829.93 Common Equivalent $\$ 0 \frac{(1)}{1}$ 09/28/2015 (1) (1) 829.93 Α (2) Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOUDREAUX GAIL
414 NICOLLET MALL X
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney in Fact for Gail K.

Boudreaux

09/30/2015

**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 stock equivalent unit is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Whole stock equivalent units are payable in shares of common stock following termination of a reporting person's service as a director; fractional units are payable at such time in cash.
- Of the 829.930 stock equivalent units, 691.608 were granted at a price of \$34.91 per unit in connection with the reporting person's
- (2) election to defer receipt of quarterly cash director retainers, and 138.322 were granted at no cost to the reporting person as a 20% premium on the amount of such retainer.
- (3) Includes 296.614 shares of stock equivalent units acquired pursuant to reinvestment of stock equivalent unit dividends.

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