XCEL ENERGY INC Form 4

March 18, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

03/16/2005

(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * VINCENT PATRICIA K

(First)

(Middle)

1225 SEVENTEENTH STREET

DENVER, CO 80202

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Security (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

Code

Symbol

(Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D)

TransactionAcquired (A) or

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

4. Securities

(A)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

5. Number Transactionof Code Derivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. Price Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

VP, Xcel Energy Services Inc.

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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(9-02)

Indirect

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

Following

Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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

Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

Derivat Security

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Securities (Instr. 5 Derivative Acquired (A) or Security Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Phantom (1) (1) \$0 03/16/2005 Α 31.3 Common 31.3 \$ 17.3 Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

VINCENT PATRICIA K 1225 SEVENTEENTH STREET DENVER, CO 80202

VP, Xcel Energy Services Inc.

Signatures

Carol J. Peterson, Attorney-in-Fact for Patricia K.
Vincent

03/18/2005

**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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