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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL] Poferl Judy M. (Month/Day/Year) 08/26/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 414 NICOLLET MALL (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person (give title below) (specify below) MINNEAPOLIS. MNÂ 55401 Form filed by More than One President & CEO, NSPMN Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 4) Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock D Â 179.697 Common Stock 2,803.639 I 401K Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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3. Title and Amount of 1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 6. Nature of Indirect (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option, right to buy	(1)	12/12/2010	Common Stock	4,600	\$ 27.9375	D	Â
Option, right to buy	(1)	12/12/2011	Common Stock	7,800	\$ 25.9	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Poferl Judy M. 414 NICOLLET MALL	â	Â	President & CEO,	â		
MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401	71	7 1	NSPMN	7 1		

Signatures

Tara M. Heine, Attorney-in-Fact for Judy M. Poferl 09/01/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Option Grant exercisable dates are based on a vesting schedule of a pro-rated portion of each grant, which is unique to, and dictated by the plan under which the specific option grant was authorized.

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