Williams Kim Form 4 October 01, 2018

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF Form 4 or

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations may continue. See Instruction

SECURITIES

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Williams Kim

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

XCEL ENERGY INC [XEL]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2018

(Street)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

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

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

414 NICOLLET MALL

(State) (Zip)

> 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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

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

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7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

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 (Instr. 3) Price of

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4 TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

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

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

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Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Expiration Title Code V (A) (D) Date Amount or Exercisable Number of Date Shares Stock Common (1) (1) Equivalent 09/28/2018 783.015 783.015 (1) Α Stock Units

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other Williams Kim 414 NICOLLET MALL X MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55401

Signatures

Kristin L. Westlund, Attorney in Fact for Kim Williams 10/01/2018 **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).
- Each stock equivalent unit is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Whole stock equivalent units are payable in shares **(1)** of common stock following termination of a reporting person's service as director and fractional units are payable at such time in cash.

Date

- Of the 783.015 stock equivalent units, 652.512 were granted at a price of \$46.58 per unit in connection with the reporting person's (2) election to defer receipt of quarterly cash director retainers, and 130.502 were granted at no cost to the reporting persons as a 20% premium on the amount of such retainer.
- (3) Includes 667.207 stock equivalent units acquired pursuant to the reinvestment of dividend equivalents during the current quarter. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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