XCEL ENERGY INC Form 8-K September 14, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) September 9, 2005

Xcel Energy Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-3034 (Commission File Number)

41-0448030

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

800 Nicollet Mall, Mpls, MN (Address of principal executive offices)

55402 (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 612-330-5500

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))	
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))	

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers

On September 9, 2005, the Xcel Energy Inc. (the Company) board of directors elected Richard H. Truly, 67, to fill a vacancy on the board of directors for a term expiring at the Company s 2006 annual meeting of shareholders or until his successor is elected and duly qualified. Mr. Truly served as director of the Department of Energy s National Renewable Energy Laboratory from 1997 until his retirement in 2005. Mr. Truly retired in 1992 as Vice Admiral in the U.S. Navy and NASA, and later held positions as director of the Georgia Tech Research Institute; vice president, Georgia Institute of Technology and executive vice president, Midwest Research Institute. Mr. Truly has not yet been named to any committees of the board. For further information, see the attached press release, which is furnished as Exhibit 99.01 and incorporated herein by reference.

<u>Item</u>	<u>9.01.</u>	<u>Financial</u>	<u>Statements</u>	and	Exhibits
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(c) Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description

99.01 Press release dated September 14, 2005 announcing election of Richard H. Truly to Board of Directors

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Xcel Energy Inc. (a Minnesota Corporation)

/s/ CATHY J. HART Cathy J. Hart Vice President and Corporate Secretary

September 14, 2005