

XCEL ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
February 22, 2017

UNITED STATES  
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) February 22, 2017

| Commission File Number | Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter; State of Incorporation; Address of Principal Executive Offices; and Telephone Number | IRS Employer Identification Number |
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| 001-3034               | XCEL ENERGY INC.<br>(a Minnesota corporation)<br>414 Nicollet Mall<br>Minneapolis, Minnesota 55401<br>(612) 330-5500                       | 41-0448030                         |

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- 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 Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(d) Election of Director.

On February 22, 2017, the Board of Directors of Xcel Energy Inc. (the Company) elected Daniel Yohannes to the Board of Directors, effective March 1, 2017, for a term expiring at the Company's 2017 annual meeting of shareholders. The Board has not made a determination regarding any committee assignments for Mr. Yohannes. Mr. Yohannes will receive compensation for his Board service consistent with the compensation received by the Company's other non-employee directors, as disclosed in the Company's Schedule 14A, Definitive Proxy Statement filed on April 4, 2016 (file no. 001-03034), prorated from the commencement of his service on the Board to the date of the 2017 annual shareholders meeting.

A copy of the News Release announcing this change to the Board of Directors is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.01.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Description

99.01 Press Release dated February 22, 2017.

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SIGNATURE

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.

February 22, 2017 Xcel Energy Inc. (a Minnesota corporation)

By:

/s/ Judy M. Poferl  
Judy M. Poferl  
Senior Vice President, Corporate Secretary and  
Executive Services

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Exhibit Description

99.01 Press Release dated February 22, 2017.