

XCEL ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
April 28, 2004

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**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) **April 28, 2004**

**Xcel Energy Inc.**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Minnesota**

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-3034**

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(Commission File Number)

800 Nicollet Mall, Mpls, MN

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(Address of principal executive offices)

**41-0448030**

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**55402**

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(Zip Code)

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

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

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Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

| <b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b> | <b><u>Description</u></b>                            |
|---------------------------|--|
| 99.01                     | Earnings Release of Xcel Energy dated April 28, 2004 |

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 28, 2004, Xcel Energy released earnings results for the first quarter of 2004. The release contains material, non-public information.

See additional information in the Earnings Release furnished as exhibit 99.01.

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**SIGNATURES**

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/ BENJAMIN G.S. FOWKE III

Benjamin G.S. Fowke III  
Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and  
Treasurer

April 28, 2004