

XCEL ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
May 16, 2002

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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) May 16, 2002

**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)

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SIGNATURES

EX-99.01 Press Release, dated May 16, 2002

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Item 5. Other Events

On May 16, 2002, Xcel Energy Inc. announced that it has extended the expiration of the NRG Energy, Inc. exchange offer to midnight EDT on May 31, 2002. For more information see the full press release included in this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.01.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.01	Press Release Regarding NRG Energy, Inc. Exchange Offer, dated May 16, 2002

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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/ Edward J. McIntyre

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Edward J. McIntyre  
Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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