

XCEL ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
May 14, 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)

**May 14, 2004**

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**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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**41-0448030**

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(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

800 Nicollet Mall, Mpls, MN

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**55402**

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(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 5. Other Events

On May 14, 2004, Xcel Energy filed a Form U-1 application for approval of the sale of its Cheyenne Light, Fuel & Power Company subsidiary with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Included in the filing was the Stock Purchase Agreement between Xcel Energy Inc. and Black Hills Corporation. A copy of the agreement is included with this filing as exhibit 99.01.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.01              | Stock Purchase Agreement between Xcel Energy Inc. and Black Hills Corporation, dated January 13, 2004 |

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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

May 14, 2004