

## LOBBYING REPORT

Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 (Section 5) - **All Filers Are Required To Complete This Page**

1. Registrant Name:

**SMITH-FREE GROUP**

2. Address:

1401 K Street, NW Suite 1200, Washington, DC 20005

3. Principal place of business (if different from line 2):

4. Contact Name: DEENA FLORENCE

Telephone: 2023934760

E-mail (optional): dflorence@smithfree.com

Senate ID #: 35800-354

House ID #: 30770034

7. Client Name:  Self

**XCEL ENERGY**

### TYPE OF REPORT

8. Year 2007 Midyear (January 1 - June 30):  **OR** Year End (July 1 - December 31):

9. Check if this filing amends a previously filed version of this report:

10. Check if this is a Termination Report:  => Termination Date: Feb 28, 2006 11. No Lobbying Activity:

### INCOME OR EXPENSES

Complete Either Line 12 **OR** Line 13

#### 12. Lobbying Firms

**INCOME** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period was:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Income (nearest \$20,000): 60,000.00

Provide a good faith estimate, rounded to the nearest \$20,000, of all lobbying related income from the client (including all payments to the registrant by any other entity for lobbying activities on behalf of the client).

#### 13. Organizations

**EXPENSES** relating to lobbying activities for this reporting period were:

Less than \$10,000:

\$10,000 or more:  => Expenses (nearest \$20,000): \_\_\_\_\_

#### 14. Reporting Method.

Check box to indicate expense accounting method. See instructions for description of options.

- Method A.** Reporting amounts using LDA definitions only  
 **Method B.** Reporting amounts under section 6033(b)(8) of the Internal Revenue Code  
 **Method C.** Reporting amounts under section 162(e) of the Internal Revenue Code

Registrant Name: SMITH-FREE GROUP Client Name: XCEL ENERGY

### LOBBYING ACTIVITY

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code: ENG (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 1321 Energy Savings Act of 2007 S. 1419 Renewable Fuels, Consumer Protection, and Energy Efficiency Act of 2007 S. 2191 America's Climate Security Act of 2007 HR 6 Clean Energy Act of 2007

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: FREE, JAMES C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HICKMOTT, ROBERT W.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

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15. General issue area code: ENV (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 280 Climate Stewardship and Innovation Act of 2007 S. 309 Global Warming Pollution Reduction act S. 1177 A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to establish a national uniform multiple air pollutant regulatory program for the electric generating sector

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: FREE, JAMES C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HICKMOTT, ROBERT W.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

Registrant Name: SMITH-FREE GROUP Client Name: XCEL ENERGY

**LOBBYING ACTIVITY.**

Select as many codes as necessary to reflect the general issue areas in which the registrant engaged in lobbying on behalf of the client during the reporting period. Using a separate page for each code, provide information as requested. Attach additional page(s) as needed.

15. General issue area code: TAX (one per page)

16. Specific lobbying issues:

S. 298 REFRESH Act HR 1596 Clean and Green Renewable Energy Tax Credit Act of 2007 HR 2764 Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2008

17. House(s) of Congress and Federal agencies contacted:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
SENATE

18. Name of each individual who acted as a lobbyist in this issue area:

Name: FREE, JAMES C.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

Name: HICKMOTT, ROBERT W.

Covered Official Position (if applicable): N/A

19. Interest of each foreign entity in the specific issues listed on line 16 above. **None**

Signature: ON FILE Date: Feb 13, 2008

Printed Name and Title: ALICIA W. SMITH SR. VP & CORP. -

**Information Update Page:**

**Complete ONLY where registration information has changed.**

**LOBBYIST UPDATE**

**23. Name of each previously reported individual who is NO LONGER expected to act as a lobbyist for the client**

**ISSUE UPDATE**

**24. General lobbying issues previously reported that NO LONGER pertain**

**AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

**25. Add the following organization(s)**

**26. Name of each previously reported organization that is NO LONGER affiliated with the registrant or client**

**FOREIGN ENTITIES**

**27. Add the following foreign entities**

**28. Name of each previously reported foreign entity the NO LONGER owns, OR controls, OR is affiliated with the registrant, client or affiliated organization**

Signature: ON FILE      Date: Feb 13, 2008

Printed Name and Title: -