FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Cohen Jeffrey | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol XCel Brands, Inc. [XELB.PK] | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director X 10% Owner | | | | | |
|--|---|--|---|---------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|--|---------|--|-------|------------------------|---|---|---|--|-----------------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O XCEL BRANDS, INC. | | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2011 | | | | | | | | Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) | | | | | |
| 475 10TH AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR | | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10018 | | | | _ | | | | | | | | - 1 | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | on-Deri | vativ | e Se | curit | ties Ac | quired | , Dis | sposed o | f, or Be | neficial | ly Owned | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day) | | | | | | Execution Date, | | | Transaction Disposed C Code (Instr. 5) | | | es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and | | 5. Amoun Securities Beneficial Owned Fo | ly | Form: (D) or | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 as | | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock 12/13/20 | | | | | | 2011 | | | Х | | 50,000(1 | 1) A | \$0.01 | 600,110 | | | T I | See Footnote ⁽²⁾ | | |
| | | - | Table II | | | | | | | | oosed of, convertil | | | Owned | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transactio Code (Inst 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | 10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4 | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | | |
| Warrant (right to buy) | \$0.01 | 12/13/2011 | | | X | | | 50,000 | 09/29/20 | 011 | 09/29/2016 | Common Stock | 50,000 | \$0 | 0 | | I | See Footnote ⁽¹⁾ | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. 50,000 shares of common stock were issued to Earthbound LLC pursuant to the exercise of a common stock purchase warrant (the "Warrant"). Mr. Cohen has shared voting and dispositive power over securities held by Earthbound LLC.

2. Represents (i) 400,110 shares held by 3 Sixty, Inc., as to which Mr. Cohen has sole voting and dispositive power, and (ii) 200,000 shares held by Earthbound LLC after the exercise of the Warrant, as to which Mr. Cohen has shared voting and dispositive power.

> 12/15/2011 /s/ Jeffrey Cohen

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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