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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addre	1 0	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol XCel Brands, Inc. [XELB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)										
Gardini Mar	<u>15d</u>			X	Director	10% Owner								
(Last) C/O XCEL BR	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/08/2015		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)								
475 10TH AVENUE, 4TH FLOOR			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)										
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person								
NEW YORK	NY	10018			Form filed by More th Person	an One Reporting								
(City)	(State)	(Zip)												
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	04/08/2015		S		100	D	\$8	615,640	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	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. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Marisa Gardini

04/10/2015 Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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