NRG ENERGY, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Callen David

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]

(Check all applicable)

SVP, Chief Accounting Offficer

NRG ENERGY, INC., 804

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

01/03/2017

Director below)

below)

CARNEGIE CENTER

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common

Stock, par 01/03/2017 value, \$.01 per share

12,577 Α

Code V

42,191 ⁽³⁾

D

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

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securiti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Relative Performance Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	01/03/2017		A	19,740	01/03/2020	01/03/2020	Common Stock,par value \$.01 per share	39,4 (5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Callen David NRG ENERGY, INC. 804 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540

SVP, Chief Accounting Offficer

Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of Attorney

torney 01/05/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Represents Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") issued to Reporting Person under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Amended and Restated Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP").
- (2) Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share.
- (3) The Reporting Person will receive from NRG one such share of Common Stock for each RSU that will vest ratably over a three year period beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
 - The Reporting Person was issued 19,740 Relative Performance Stock Units ("RPSUs") by NRG under the LTIP on January 3, 2017. The RPSUs will convert to shares of NRG Common Stock on January 3, 2020 only in the event the Company has achieved a certain level of
- (4) total shareholder return ("TSR") relative to the Peer Group (defined below) over a three-year performance period. The number of shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person may receive is interpolated for TSR falling between Threshold, Target, and Maximum levels as described below.
- (5) The Reporting Person will receive (i) a maximum of 39,480 shares of Common Stock if the Company's TSR is ranked at or above the 75th percentile relative to a peer group of companies approved by the Company's Compensation Committee (the "Peer Group") for the

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performance period (the "Maximum"); (ii) 19,740 shares of Common Stock if the Company's TSR is ranked at the 55th percentile relative to the Peer Group for the performance period (the "Target"); provided, however, if TSR is less than negative fifteen percent (-15%), the Company's TSR must be ranked at the 65th percentile relative to the Peer Group for the performance period to receive the Target award; or (iii) 4,935 shares of Common Stock if the Company's TSR is ranked at the 25th percentile relative to the Peer Group for the performance period (the "Threshold"). The Reporting Person will not receive any shares of Common Stock if the Company's TSR is below the 25th percentile relative to the Peer Group for the performance period.

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