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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG] Wilson Denise (Month/Day/Year) 09/07/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 211 CARNEGIE CENTER (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person PRINCETON, ÂNJÂ 08540 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Chief Administrative Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) $9,062 \stackrel{(1)}{\underline{(1)}} \stackrel{(2)}{\underline{(3)}}$ D Â Common stock, par value .01 per share Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

 $Table\ II\ -\ Derivative\ Securities\ Beneficially\ Owned\ (\textit{e.g.},\ puts,\ calls,\ warrants,\ options,\ convertible\ securities)$

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of
Security	Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Indirect Beneficial
(Instr. 4)	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
		Ti41- A	Derivative	Security:	
			Security	Direct (D)	
		Number of		or Indirect	

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				Shares		(I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Qualified Stock Options	03/02/2005(4)	03/02/2014(4)	Comon stock, par value .01 per share	16,000	\$ 19.9	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Options	08/01/2006 <u>(5)</u>	08/01/2011 <u>(6)</u>	Common stock, par value .01 per share	7,000	\$ 38.8	D	Â
Non-Qualified Stock Options	01/03/2007(7)	01/03/2012(6)	Common stock, par value .01 per share	11,000	\$ 47.95	D	Â
Performance Units	08/01/2008	08/01/2008	Common stock, par value .01 per share	4,000	\$ <u>(8)</u>	D	Â
Performance Units	01/03/2009	01/03/2009	Common stock, par value .01 per share	5,000	\$ <u>(9)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
Transfer of the same	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Wilson Denise 211 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540	Â	Â	Chief Administrative Officer	Â	

Signatures

/s/Denise Wilson 09/12/2006

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- Represents the following securities issued to Ms. Wilson by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG's Long Term Incentive Plan: (i) 4,400 (1) Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") issued on March 2, 2004; (ii) 1,000 RSUs issued on August 1, 2005; (iii) 1,300 RSUs issued on January 3, 2006; and (iv) 2,362 Deferred Stock Units issued on March 14, 2005.
- Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$0.01. Ms. Wilson will receive from NRG one such (2) share of Common Stock for each RSU as follows: (i) 4,400 shares on March 2, 2007; (ii) 1,000 shares on August 1, 2008; (iii) 1,300 shares on January 3, 2009.
- (3) On March 14, 2005, Ms. Wilson was issued 2,362 Deferred Stock Units ("DSU's") by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan. Each DSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$0.01. Ms. Wilson will receive

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from NRG Energy, Inc. one such share of Common Stock for each DSU she owns six months from the date of her termination with NRG Energy, Inc.

- Pursuant to the Grant Agreement by and between NRG Energy, Inc. and Ms. Wilson, the Stock Options will vest and become exercisable (4) as follows: 33 1/3% on March 2, 2005, 33 1/3% on March 2, 2006 and 33 1/3% on March 2, 2007. These stock options expire ten years from the date of the grant.
- Pursuant to the Grant Agreement by and between NRG Energy, Inc. and Ms. Wilson, the Stock Options will vest and become exercisable as follows: 33 1/3% on August 1, 2006, 33 1/3% on August 1, 2007 and 33 1/3% on August 1, 2008.
- (6) Stock options expire six years from the date of the grant.
- (7) Pursuant to the Grant Agreement by and between NRG Energy, Inc. and Ms. Wilson, the Stock Options will vest and become exercisable as follows: 33 1/3% on January 3, 2007, 33 1/3% on January 3, 2008 and 33 1/3% on January 3, 2009.
 - Ms. Wilson was issued 2,000 Performance Units by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan on August 1, 2005. Each Performance Unit will be paid out on August 1, 2008 if the average closing price of NRG Energy, Inc.'s Common Stock for the ten trading days prior to August 1, 2008 (the "Measurement Price") is equal to or greater than \$54.50 (the "Target Price"). The payout
- (8) for each Performance Unit will be equal to: (i) one share of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price equals the Target Price; (ii) a prorated amount in between one and two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is greater than the Target Price but less than \$63.75 (the "Maximum Price"); and (iii) two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is equal to or greater than the Maximum Price.
 - Ms. Wilson was issued 2,500 Performance Units by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan on January 3, 2006. Each Performance Unit will be paid out on January 3, 2009 if the average closing price of NRG Energy, Inc.'s Common Stock for the ten trading days prior to January 3, 2009 (the "Measurement Price") is equal to or greater than \$67.37 (the "Target Price"). The payout
- (9) for each Performance Unit will be equal to: (i) one share of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price equals the Target Price; (ii) a prorated amount in between one and two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is greater than the Target Price but less than \$79.49 (the "Maximum Price"); and (iii) two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is equal to or greater than the Maximum Price.

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