NRG ENERGY, INC.

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Andrews Kirkland B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/03/2017

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

EVP & CFO

804 CARNEGIE CENTER

(Street)

(State)

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

Code V

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

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)

(A)

(D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

Common

per share

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

35.535 Α

Amount

235,938 (3)

Price

D

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

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---------|--|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amou Numb Share |
| Relative Performance Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | 01/03/2017 | | A | 55,777 | 01/03/2020 | 01/03/2020 | Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share | 111, <u>(5</u> |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Andrews Kirkland B

804 CARNEGIE CENTER EVP & CFO

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of

Attorney 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 55,777 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 111,554 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 performance period (the "Maximum"); (ii) 55,777 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

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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) 13,944 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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