

Nahla Azmy Named Director, Investor Relations for NRG Energy, Inc.

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MINNEAPOLIS--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 11, 2004--NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE:NRG) announced today that Nahla A. Azmy has joined the Company as Director, Investor Relations. In her new role reporting to David Crane, President and Chief Executive Officer, Azmy will serve as a liaison between the Company's management and investors and the financial community.

Azmy comes to NRG from Lehman Brothers, where she served as Vice President, Utilities and Power Equity Research. Prior to her eight years of equity research experience in this sector, Azmy held previous positions as a financial analyst and lending officer for a variety of financial institutions. Azmy received a Bachelor of Arts from Colgate University and a Masters of Business Administration from the New York University Stern School of Business

"Coming from the sell-side, Nahla brings a different vantage point as well as a considerable depth of experience to our Investor Relations team," said Crane. "As NRG is a complex company in an industry in rapid transition, Nahla will make a vital contribution in our continuous effort to communicate effectively with our external stakeholders and more generally, as a member of our management team."

Azmy joins Katy Sullivan who has served as Manager, Investor Relations since March 2004 and will now report to Azmy. Prior to this role, Sullivan served as an analyst with NRG's Regulatory Affairs group and as a trader for the Company's Northeast region. She earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Wisconsin.

NRG Energy, Inc. owns and operates a diverse portfolio of power-generating facilities, primarily in the Northeast, South Central and West Coast regions of the United States. Its operations include baseload, intermediate, peaking, and cogeneration facilities, thermal energy production and energy resource recovery facilities.

This news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions and include, but are not limited to, our ability to effectively communicate with our investors and the financial community. Although NRG believes that its expectations are reasonable, it can give no assurance that these expectations will prove to have been correct, and actual results may vary materially. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contemplated above include, among others, the potential that the Company will not be able to effectively communicate with its external stakeholders and the failure to retain key employees.

NRG undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. The foregoing review of factors that could cause NRG's actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the forward-looking statements included in this news release should not be construed as exhaustive. For more information regarding risks and uncertainties that may affect NRG's future results, see NRG's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov.

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