

## NRG Energy Reduces Annual Loan Interest Expense by \$12 Million

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PRINCETON, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Feb. 8, 2013-- NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) has successfully repriced its \$1.58 billion Term Loan B due 2018. The repricing includes a reduction of spread from 3.0% to 2.5% and a reduction in the LIBOR floor from 1.0% to 0.75%.

"The successful repricing of NRG's term loan will result in annual interest expense savings of approximately \$12 million and represents another significant step toward achieving at least \$100 million in balance sheet efficiencies resulting from our recently completed merger with GenOn," said Kirk Andrews, Chief Financial Officer.

## About NRG

NRG is at the forefront of changing how people think about and use energy. We deliver cleaner and smarter energy choices for our customers, backed by the nation's largest independent power generation portfolio of fossil fuel, nuclear, solar and wind facilities. A Fortune 300 company, NRG is challenging the U.S. energy industry by becoming the largest developer of solar power, building the first privately-funded electric vehicle charging infrastructure, and providing customers with the most advanced smart energy solutions to better manage their energy use. In addition to 47,000 megawatts of generation capacity, enough to supply nearly 40 million homes, our retail electricity providers – Reliant, Green Mountain Energy and Energy Plus – serve more than two million customers. More information is available at <u>www.nrgenergy.com</u>. Connect with NRG Energy on Facebook and follow us on Twitter @nrgenergy.

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