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## NRG Names New Vice President of Investor Relations

**PRINCETON, NJ, December 6, 2011**—NRG Energy announced today that Chad S. Plotkin has been named Vice President, Investor Relations, effective January 4, 2012. He will succeed Nahla A. Azmy, who will be leaving the Company to become Managing Director - Investor Relations for Energy Capital Partners, L.P., a private equity firm based in Short Hills, NJ.

Mr. Plotkin has been with NRG since 2007 and brings a diverse background with more than 14 years of finance, strategy and business development experience. He previously served as Vice President, Strategy and New Business where he was responsible for leading teams on the evaluation and execution of strategic acquisitions, new business initiatives and select noncore asset sales. Most recently, Mr. Plotkin led the Energy Plus Holdings acquisition and integration process. Prior to joining NRG, he served in a similar role with SES AMERICOM, a satellite communication company. Mr. Plotkin graduated from Southern Methodist University with a Bachelor of Business Administration while majoring in Finance.

"Chad's extensive experience in strategy and strategic implementation at NRG over the past few years will be of great value in his new role as the head of NRG's investor relations group," said David Crane, NRG President and Chief Executive Officer. "He now has an opportunity to build on the best-in-industry investor relations platform built by Nahla Azmy over the past seven years for which I am personally immensely grateful."

The current Investor Relations team—Stefan V. Kimball, Manager and Lori M. Stagliano, Coordinator—will report to Mr. Plotkin.

## About NRG

NRG is at the forefront of changing how people think about and use energy. A Fortune 500 company, NRG is a pioneer in developing cleaner and smarter energy choices for our customers: whether as one of the largest solar power developers in the country, or by building the first privately funded electric vehicle charging infrastructure or by giving customers the latest smart energy solutions to better manage their energy use. Our diverse power generating facilities can support over 20 million homes and our retail electricity providers—Reliant, Green Mountain Energy Company and Energy Plus—serve more than two million customers. More information is available at <a href="https://www.nrgenergy.com">www.nrgenergy.com</a>.

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