



NRG Energy Inc.

First Quarter 2020 Earnings Presentation

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Business Review

Mauricio Gutierrez, President and CEO

Financial Review

Kirk Andrews, EVP and CFO

Closing Remarks

Mauricio Gutierrez, President and CEO

Q&A

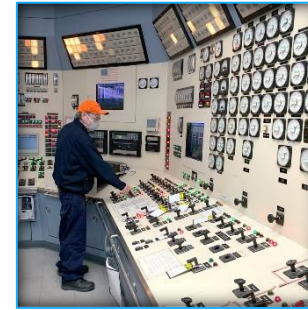
**Comprehensive COVID-19 Response to
Maintain Safe and Reliable Operations**

**Reaffirming 2020 Guidance
Integrated Platform to Provide Stable Results**

**Enhanced Disclosures Aligned
with Business Model**

COVID-19 Comprehensive Response

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Employees

- Activated Crisis Management Team on January 21st
- Closed offices March 17th; ~95% of office personnel working remote
- Implemented Infectious Disease & Pandemic Policy, social distancing, travel bans, restricted plant access, and cleaning protocols
- Expanded employee health benefits and financial assistance
- Developing regional return-to-work plan, prioritizing health and safety

Operations

- No material financial impact to planned plant maintenance outages; well prepared for summer
- STP nuclear refueling outage executed on schedule
- Work-stop for non-essential projects
- Paused all face-to-face retail marketing activities
- Halted late and non-pay disconnects for residential customers in ERCOT

Community

- Pledged **\$2 million** towards front line relief efforts through PositiveNRG
- Support directed to:
 - First responders for safety supplies, including PPEs
 - Community relief fund for small businesses
 - Teachers and educators

positivenrgrg
a philanthropic initiative

Continuing Safe and Reliable Operations while Serving Our Customers and Communities

Business Highlights

Q1 Business Highlights

✓ Strong Financial and Operational Results

- ✓ Top decile safety performance
- ✓ Resilient financial and operational results through mild weather
- ✓ Adhering to capital allocation strategy while balancing liquidity; current share count of 244 MM

✓ Comprehensive Response to COVID-19

- ✓ Rapid implementation of Pandemic Plan
- ✓ Pledged over \$2 MM to COVID-19 relief efforts

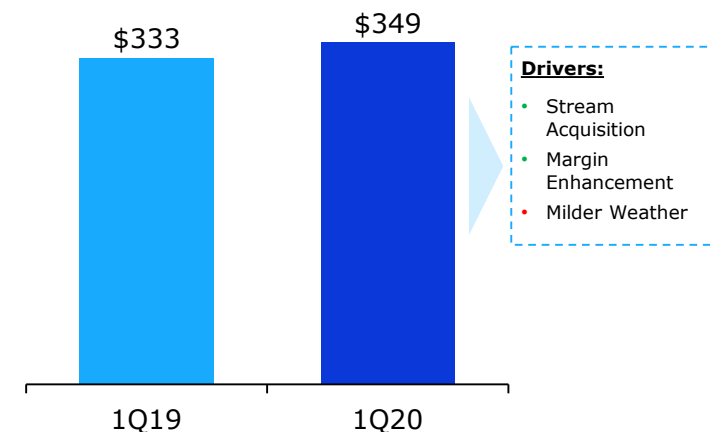
✓ Enhanced Disclosures to Align with Business

- ✓ Announcing enhanced integrated disclosures
- ✓ Published 2019 Sustainability Report, May 6th

Year over Year Results and Drivers

(\$ millions)

Adjusted EBITDA



Reaffirming 2020 Guidance:

\$1,900 - \$2,100 MM Adjusted EBITDA
\$1,275 - \$1,475 MM FCfBG

Delivered Strong First Quarter Results; Reaffirming 2020 Guidance

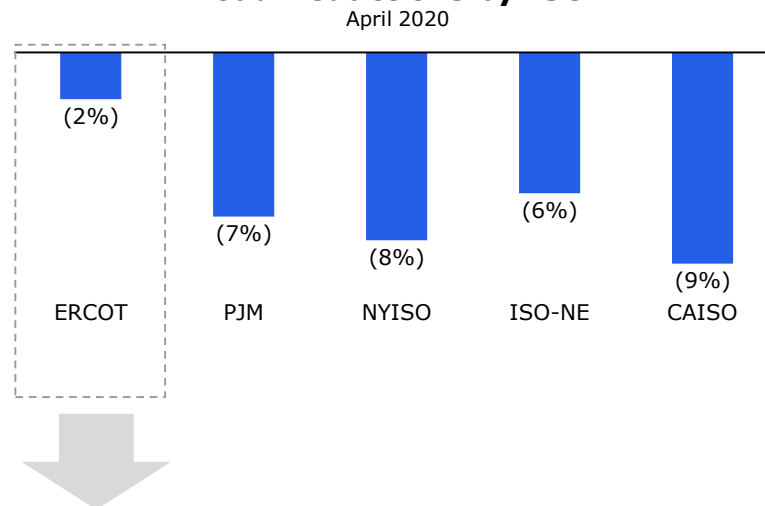
COVID-19 Market Impact / Outlook

COVID-19 Impacting 2020 Load and Prices...

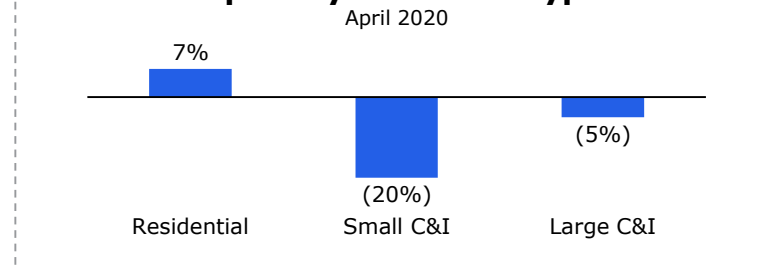
- **Power demand declines across all regions with ERCOT residential remaining resilient**
 - Load impacts vary significantly by subregion and customer type; ERCOT residential up 7% in April
 - ERCOT demonstrating relative strength particularly outside of West Texas
- **Expect measured recovery in power demand and prices as economy slowly reopens**
 - ERCOT summer prices down 25% from pre-COVID levels; actual summer prices remain weather and wind production dependent
- **Texas economy remains one of the healthiest and most diverse with strong population growth**
 - ERCOT continues to require new build to maintain long-term reliability; CDR overstate new builds
 - Solar development at-risk over medium-term as result of tax equity and weak forward power prices

...Load Impacts Varying Significantly By Subregion and Customer Type

Load Reductions by ISO¹



Impact by Customer Type²



ERCOT Load Demonstrates Relative Strength and Robust Outlook;
Full Impact of COVID-19 Related Customer Bad Debt and Attrition Remains Unknown

COVID-19

Strengthened Platform = Stable Results

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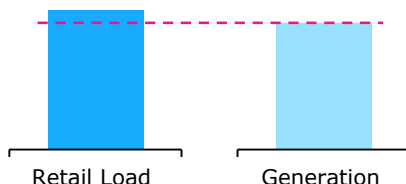


2020¹

Positioned To Thrive

1

Balanced Portfolio



- Multi-Brand / Multi-Channel Retail Platform
- Texas Residential Retail Focused
- Limited Direct Exposure to Oil / West Texas

2

Strong Balance Sheet

2.50-2.75x
Net Debt/Adj. EBITDA



- No Near-Term Maturities
- Strong Liquidity, \$2.0 Bn¹
- On Track for Investment Grade Rating

3

Significant Excess Cash Flow

Clear Capital Allocation Framework



- Track Record of Execution
- Supports 7-9% Annual Dividend Growth and Significant Return of Capital
- Supports Opportunistic Growth

4

Solid Foundation

Comprehensive Sustainability Framework



- Enhanced Financial Disclosures
- Best-in-Class Sustainability Reporting
- Strong Governance

Focused on Validating Durability of Integrated Platform Through Varying Cycles

¹ As of 3/31/2020

Enhancing Disclosures

Segments Aligned with Integrated Strategy

	ERCOT	East / West												
Earnings Mix	<p>~70% Adj EBITDA</p>	<p>~30% Adj EBITDA</p>												
Strategy	<p>Stability through Integrated Platform</p>	<p>Grow Retail / Streamline Generation</p>												
Characteristics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integration of Two Counter-Cyclical Businesses Provides Stability Leading Retail Platform (33% market share) Purest Competitive Market Strong / Resilient Power Demand 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursuing Additional Portfolio Rebalancing Scalable Retail Platform (<5% market share) Capacity / Reliability Focused Fleet Maintain Energy / Site Option 												
Introducing EBITDA Sensitivities¹	<table> <tr> <th></th><th>2020</th><th>2021</th></tr> <tr> <td>Power Price: +/- \$1/MWh</td><td><\$5 MM</td><td>\$12 MM</td></tr> </table>		2020	2021	Power Price: +/- \$1/MWh	<\$5 MM	\$12 MM	<table> <tr> <th></th><th>2020</th><th>2021</th></tr> <tr> <td>Power Price: +/- \$1/MWh</td><td><\$5 MM</td><td>\$8 MM</td></tr> </table>		2020	2021	Power Price: +/- \$1/MWh	<\$5 MM	\$8 MM
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Improves Clarity of ERCOT Integrated Platform and Continued Portfolio Rebalancing Opportunity in East / West

¹ See slides 19-20



Financial Review

2020 Segment Update

(\$ millions)

Old Segments	2019 Results	New Segments	2019 Results ¹	2020 Guidance ²
Retail <i>Texas</i> \$729 <i>East</i> 191 Generation <i>Texas</i> 610 <i>East/Other³</i> 447	\$ 920 1,057	Texas East/West/Other ³	\$1,339 638	\$1,350-1,500 \$550-600
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,977	Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,977	\$1,900 - \$2,100

New Segment	Operations	Margin details
Texas	ERCOT generation and retail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenues - primarily retail COGS - fuel/purchased power
East	PJM/NYISO/NEPOOL generation and all other retail	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenues - retail electric/gas, capacity and energy COGS - fuel/purchased power
West/ Other	CAISO/MISO generation results, renewable equity investments, international activity and corporate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revenues - resource adequacy and energy COGS - fuel

Segments are now aligned with our geographically driven integrated model

¹ Reflects 2019 changes in reportable segments; ² 2020 Guidance excludes Agua Caliente; ³ Includes Corporate segment

1Q 2020 Results

(\$ millions)

	Three Months Ended 3/31/2019	Three Months Ended 3/31/2020	2020 Guidance
Texas	\$179	\$195	\$1,350-1,500
East/West/Other ¹	154	154	\$550-600
Adjusted EBITDA	\$333	\$349	\$1,900 - \$2,100
Free Cash Flow before Growth ("FCFbG")	\$10	\$167	\$1,275-\$1,475

Highlights:

- Strong Q1 results reflecting the integrated business model; COVID-19 impact minimal
- Expected increase in COVID related costs, including Bad Debt, with offsets from cost management and relief funds
- Strong liquidity under current COVID-19 market conditions with precautionary \$635 MM draw under revolving credit facility
- Completed \$224 MM share repurchases² at an average price of \$33.05/share

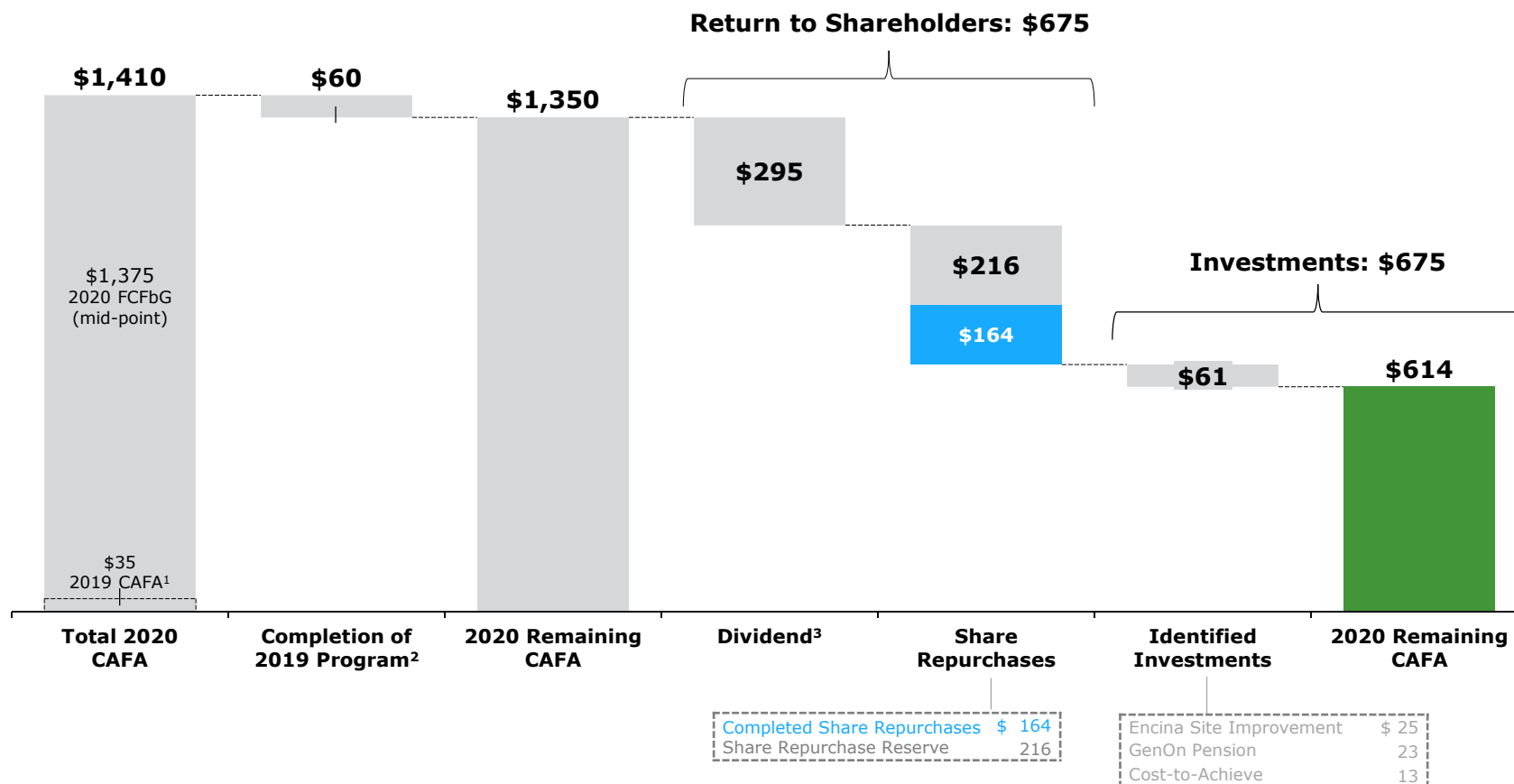
COVID-19 Impact Manageable; Reaffirming 2020 Guidance

¹ Includes Corporate segment; ² Includes \$60 MM share repurchases from 2019 carried over into 2020

2020 Capital Allocation

(\$ millions)

■ No change from Prior Quarter ■ Indicates change from Prior Quarter



>40% of Share Repurchases Completed under New Policy; ~\$600 MM of Uncommitted Capital Available

¹ See slide 11 of 4Q19 presentation for details; ² Remaining balance of the 2019 \$250MM share repurchase authorization, which was completed in Jan-Feb 2020; ³ Estimate based on an \$1.20 annual dividend and 244 MM outstanding shares as of 05/07/2020



Closing Remarks

☐ **Deliver on Financial and Operational Objectives**

- ☒ Reaffirming 2020 guidance
- ☒ Strong year-to-date financial, operational and safety performance

☐ **Complete 3-Year Transformation Plan**

- ☐ \$215 MM cumulative EBITDA-accretive margin enhancement (\$80 MM in 2020) – on track

☐ **Perfect and Grow Integrated Platform**

- ☒ Enhance transparency through regional integrated financial disclosures and sensitivities
- ☐ Grow retail and increase renewable supply through capital-light (PPA) strategy
- ☐ Portfolio / real-estate optimization

☐ **Execute Disciplined Capital Allocation Plan**

- ☒ Increase annual dividend from \$0.12 to \$1.20 per share
 - ☐ Execute \$380 MM share repurchases as part of long-term 50% return of capital program
 - ☐ Achieve investment grade credit rating
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Committed to Sustainability

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NRG Sustainability Framework



Sustainable Business



Sustainable Operations



Sustainable Customers



Sustainable Suppliers



Sustainable Workplace

Industry-Leading Disclosure

10th Sustainability Report



Comprehensive Approach

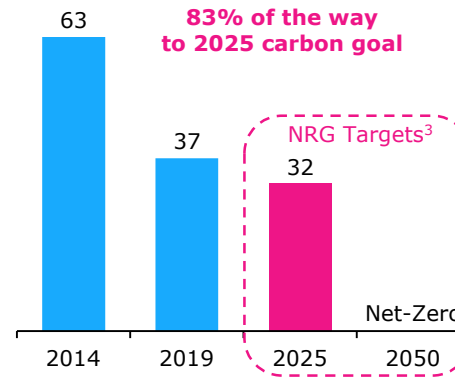


SCIENCE
BASED
TARGETS



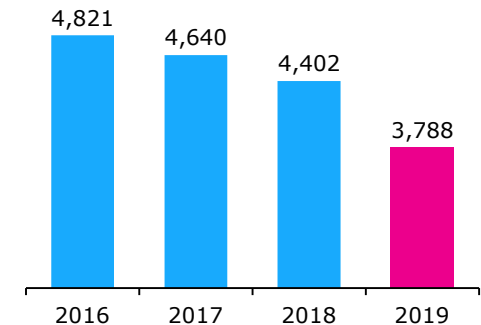
Environmental Leadership¹

U.S. CO₂e Emission Goals (MMtCO₂e²)



Carbon Reduction Target:
50% by 2025; net-zero by 2050

Revenue Carbon Intensity (U.S. tCO₂e⁴/\$ MM)



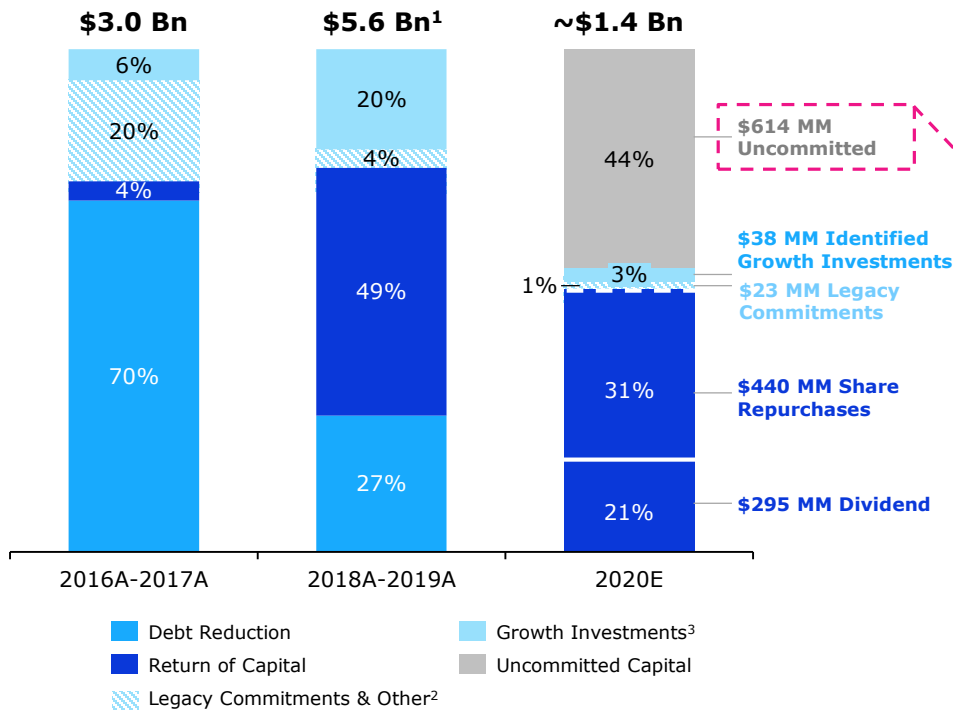
¹ Data as of December 31, 2019; ² Million Metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent; ³ As of December 31, 2019; NRG's goal is to reduce its total U.S. Scope 1, 2 (purchased electricity) and 3 (business travel) CO₂e emissions by 50% by 2025, and 'net-zero' by 2050, using 2014 as a baseline; ⁴ Tons of carbon dioxide equivalent

2020 Capital Allocation Plan

Stabilize

Right-Size

Redefine



Capital Allocation Priorities

Maintain **top decile** safety and operational excellence



Maintain Investment Grade Credit metrics of **2.50-2.75x** Net Debt / Adjusted EBITDA



50% Opportunistic

Hurdle rate of 12-15% unlevered pretax return with 5-year payback



Share Repurchases

50% Return of Capital

Dividend \$1.20 / share and 7-9% annual growth



Share Repurchases

Capital Allocation Strategy Remains On Track

¹ Includes asset sale proceeds; ² Primarily GenOn, Renew and Petra Nova; ³ Includes cost to achieve Transformation Plan

Capacity Clears & Unsold

Capacity Revenue by Calendar¹ Year (\$ MM)

Market	2020	2021
PJM	\$282	\$299
ISO-NE	\$110	\$90
NYISO ²	\$151	\$195
CAISO ²	\$58	\$52

**Illustrative:
Assumes uncleared
capacity clears at current
market levels**

Market	Planning Year	Average Price (\$/kW-Month)	Estimated Qualified Capacity ³	Percentage Sold ⁴	MWs Cleared	Market	Region	Planning Year	Average Price (\$/MW-Day)	MWs Cleared
ISO-NE	2019-2020	\$7.03	1,529	100%	1,529	PJM	ComEd	2020-2021	\$188.12	3,315
	2020-2021	\$5.30	1,529	100%	1,529			2021-2022	\$195.55	3,995
	2021-2022	\$4.63	1,529	100%	1,529					
	2022-2023	\$3.80	1,517	100%	1,517	PJM	DPL South	2020-2021	\$187.87	519
	2023-2024	\$2.00	1,517	50%	757			2021-2022	\$165.73	552
NYISO	2020	\$4.62	2,724	85%	2,311	PJM	PEPCO	2020-2021	\$86.04	67
	2021	\$5.74	2,828	35%	984			2021-2022	\$140.00	72
CAISO	2020	\$5.81	838	100%	838	PJM	Net Total	2020-2021	\$186.34	3,901
	2021	\$5.19	838	41%	347			2021-2022	\$191.12	4,619

*PJM data as of 5/23/2018

¹ Capacity revenue excludes cleared DER of: 2,919 MW at \$84.15 \$/MW-day in 2019-2020, 1,633 MW at \$116.06 \$/MW-day in 2020-2021 and 3,203 MW at \$154.73 \$/MW-day in 2021-2022; ² NYISO & CAISO values include sold and unsold revenue; unsold revenue is estimated as of 3/31/2020 and is subject to change; NYC estimated qualified capacity is ~1.2 GW; NYISO – Rest of State estimated qualified capacity is ~1.5 GW; ³ Capacity that can be bid in a capacity auction; estimated as of 3/31/2020 and is subject to change;

⁴ Percentage of the total qualified capacity that has been sold as of 3/31/2020

Integrated Portfolio

Additional Modeling Data

	2020E		2021E	
	Guidance Drivers		Business Statistics	
	ERCOT	East/West	ERCOT	East/West
Operational Statistics				
Retail Sales – Current Portfolio ^{1,3}				
Electric Estimated Sales (TWhs)	57-59	11-13	Stable to Modest Growth	
Natural Gas Estimated Sales (MDths)	0	23-25	Stable to Modest Growth	
ERCOT Integrated Supply and East/West Generation Statistics ¹				
Total Capacity (GW) ^{2,4}	10	11	10	11
Estimated Generation (TWh) ^{2,5}	38.7	13.4	42.6	13.1
Percentage Estimated Generation Hedged ^{2,6}	Integrated	98%	Integrated	22%
Financial Summary				
Gross Margin Summary (\$ MM) ¹				
Electric, Natural Gas, & Other Products ^{2,7}	\$2,620-2,770	\$510-560	--	--
Energy & Other ^{2,8}	~\$60	~\$290	~\$60	~\$260
Capacity Revenues – generation ^{2,9}	--	~\$600	--	~\$635
Implied Economic Gross Margin (\$ MM)	\$2,680-2,830	\$1,400-1,450	--	--
O&M, SG&A, and Other Income/Expense ^{1,10}	~\$1,330	~\$850	+/- 2%	+/- 2%
Adj EBITDA Guidance (\$ MM)	\$1,350-1,500	\$550-600	--	--
Adjusted EBITDA Power Price Sensitivities and Prices				
Adj EBITDA Sensitivities (\$ MM) ¹¹	Bal 2020	Bal 2020	2021E	2021E
Power Price Sensitivity: +/- \$1/MWh	<\$5	<\$5	\$12	\$8
Around-the-Clock Power Prices ²	2020	2020	2021	2021
ERCOT (Houston) and East/West (PJM-W Zones), 9/30/2019	\$35.33	\$29.38	\$31.48	\$28.29
ERCOT (Houston) and East/West (PJM-W Zones), 3/31/2020	\$30.05	\$21.23	\$32.22	\$26.51
ERCOT (Houston) and East/West (PJM-W Zones), 4/30/2020	\$31.23	\$22.57	\$32.89	\$28.84

Modeling Data Footnotes

- ¹ 2020 numbers are estimated components in isolation to the current guidance range, established as of 9/30/19 and reaffirmed on 5/7/20
- ² Annualized equivalents represent realized actuals through 3/31/20 plus forecasts through year-end based on forward prices as of 3/31/20
- ³ Estimated Retail Sales assumes weather-normalized expected sales
- ⁴ Total capacity represents net summer MWs after adjusting for ownership position excluding capacity from equity interest assets and inactive/mothballed units
- ⁵ Estimated generation represents expected dispatch output (GWh) based on forward price curves as of 3/31/20
- ⁶ Percentage hedged represents power equivalent hedge volumes divided by estimated generation; 'Integrated' represents the company's intention to internally cross the respective output (with exception of CBY unit 4) to its retail operations, unless otherwise optimized through other channels; Excludes coal hedging – NRG is hedged 100% and 17% of its expected coal fuel requirement for 2020 & 2021, respectively
- ⁷ Electric, Natural Gas, and Other Products primarily represents the expected revenues net of fuel / purchased power, TDSP, capacity, and other charges
- ⁸ Energy & Other primarily represents the expected energy revenue net of fuel, emission costs and other obligations from merchant assets. Further integration of merchant assets will shift realized margin to Electric Revenues. For hedging methodology see the 2019 10K Item 15 - Note 5, Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities.
- ⁹ Capacity Revenue primarily represents generation revenue from MWs cleared in ISO auctions or sold bilaterally plus forecasted revenue from unsold Capacity. Demand Response is subsumed in Energy & Other; however, for financial reporting purposes, it is included in Capacity Revenues
- ¹⁰ Includes other income from equity investments
- ¹¹ The change in power price is shaped by the level of the current forward curve and expected volumes – that is higher priced months (which are mostly associated with higher load volumes) experience a bigger change while lower priced months (which are mostly associated with lower load volumes) experience a smaller change. Power Price sensitivity represents estimated EBITDA change for an around-the-clock shift scaled to +/- \$1/MWh. Natural Gas prices and expected weather normalized load volumes are assumed to remain unchanged while calculating these sensitivities. Actual portfolio EBITDA may vary differently from modeled forecast due to several factors including forced plant outages, unexpected load variability and non-linear nature of the generation portfolio

Historical Adjusted EBITDA

New Segments

(\$ millions)

	2017	2018	2019	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19
Texas	\$755	\$1,008	\$1,339	\$179	\$326	\$584	\$251
East	326	447	484	144	93	143	103
West/Other	386	361	166	15	51	70	30
Corp/Eliminations	(78)	(39)	(12)	(5)	(1)	(5)	(0)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,389	\$1,777	\$1,977	\$333	\$469	\$792	\$384

Pro Forma Changes to Portfolio¹:

Agua/Ivanpah deconsolidation	\$102	\$ 65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Cottonwood lease ²	40	40	3	3	-	-	-
Encina, prior to deactivation	47	48	1	-	-	1	-
Contribution from assets prior to sale ³	32	46	1	1	-	-	-
Impact from Portfolio Changes	\$ 221	\$199	\$5	\$4	\$0	\$1	\$0

Business Metrics

	2017	2018	2019	1Q19	2Q19	3Q19	4Q19	1Q20
<i>Texas</i>								
Mass Electricity Sales Volume (GWh)	36,169	37,846	38,958	7,990	9,130	13,468	8,370	7,748
C&I Electricity Sales Volume (GWh)	19,586	20,192	18,976	4,549	4,720	5,030	4,677	4,456
GWh Generated	38,694	38,214	37,995	7,634	10,645	11,793	7,923	6,036
<i>East</i>								
Mass Electricity Sales Volume (GWh)	6,221	7,968	9,918	2,494	1,913	2,934	2,577	2,548
C&I Electricity Sales Volume (GWh)	814	984	1,214	282	288	334	310	389
Natural Gas Sales Volume (MDth)	3,212	11,253	23,359	10,547	3,054	1,693	8,065	10,509
GWh Generated	9,944	10,119	6,913	2,482	957	2,662	813	502
<i>West/Other</i>								
GWh Generated	11,394	10,970	9,462	1,939	1,579	3,084	2,956	2,356

¹ All listed portfolio changes are included in West/Other with exception to Keystone Conemaugh which is included in East; ² Reflects pro-forma lease expense; ³ Comprised of BETM, Guam, Sherbino, Keystone Conemaugh and Resi Solar

Corporate Credit Profile/Targets

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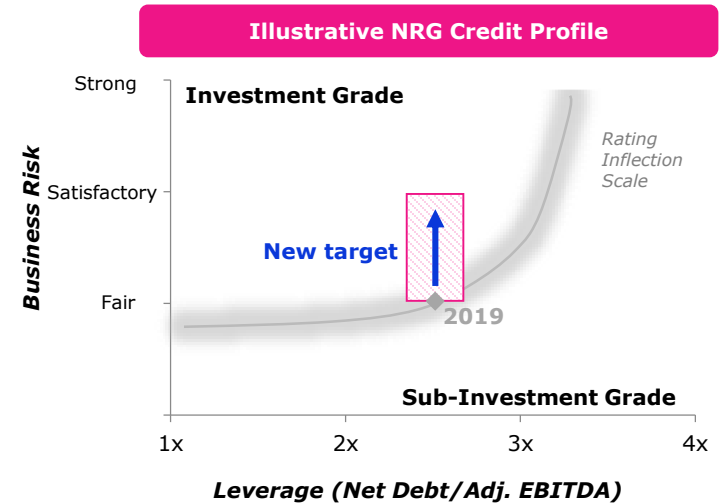
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(\$ millions)

	2020 Guidance
Corporate Debt¹	\$5,925
Cash & Cash Equivalents ²	(500)
Corporate Net Debt	~\$5,425
Adj. EBITDA³	\$2,000
Less: MWG Adj. EBITDA, net of cash distribution	-
Other Adjustments ⁴	150
Corporate Adj. EBITDA	\$2,150

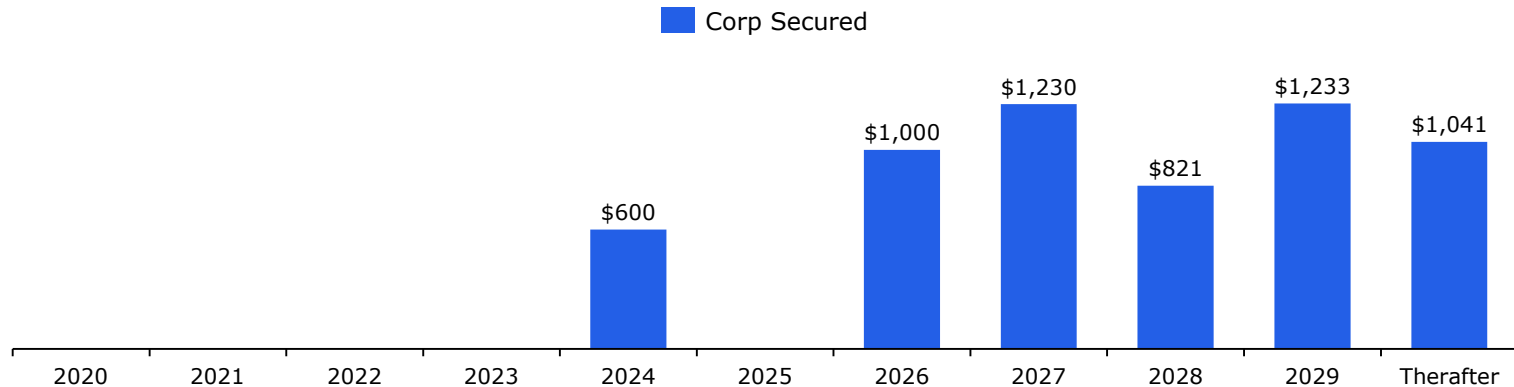
	Target Investment Grade Metrics
Net Debt / Adj. EBITDA	2.50 - 2.75x
Adj. CFO/ Net Debt	27.5 - 32.5%
(Adj. CFO + Interest) / Interest	5.5 - 6.5x



¹ Balance at 3/31/2020; excludes revolver draw of \$635MM; ² Comprises minimum cash assuming excess capital is fully deployed; ³ Midpoint of 2020 guidance ranges; ⁴ Includes non-cash expenses (e.g. nuclear amortization, equity compensation amortization, and bad debt expense) and non-recurring items that are included in Adj. EBITDA

Recourse Debt Maturity Schedule

(millions)



Recourse Debt	Principle
7.25% Senior notes, due 2026	\$1,000
6.625% Senior notes, due 2027	\$1,230
5.75% Senior notes, due 2028	\$821
5.25% Senior notes, due 2029	\$733
2.75% Convertible Senior Notes, due 2048 ¹	\$575
3.75% Senior Secured First Lien Notes, due 2024	\$600
4.45% Senior Secured First Lien Notes, due 2029	\$500
Revolving Credit Facility ²	\$635
Tax-exempt bonds	\$466
Recourse Debt	\$6,560

NRG Energy, Inc. Credit Rating

S&P

Moody's

BB Positive

Ba1 Positive

Uniform Maturity Schedule with No Maturity Walls

¹ Starting in Dec. 2024 and for limited periods of times, these notes will become convertible in our common stock upon the occurrence of certain events or circumstances; ² Balance outstanding as of 3/31/20 expected to be fully repaid by 12/31/20

Appendix: Reg. G Schedules

Appendix Table A-1: 2020 Guidance

The following table summarizes the calculation of Free Cash Flow before Growth and provides a reconciliation to Adjusted EBITDA and to Income from Continuing Operations:

(\$ millions)	2020 Guidance
Income from Continuing Operations¹	\$980 - \$1,180
Income tax	20
Interest Expense	335
Depreciation, Amortization, Contract Amortization, and ARO Expense	480
Adjustment to reflect NRG share of Adjusted EBITDA in unconsolidated affiliates	65
Other Costs ²	20
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,900 - \$2,100
Interest payments	(335)
Income tax	(20)
Working capital / other assets and liabilities	(95)
Adjusted Cash Flow from Operations	\$1,450 - \$1,650
Maintenance capital expenditures, net	(165) - (185)
Environmental capital expenditures, net	(0) - (5)
Free Cash Flow before Growth	\$1,275 - \$1,475

¹ For purposes of guidance fair value adjustments related to derivatives are assumed to be zero; ² Includes deactivation costs and cost-to-achieve expenses

Appendix Table A-2: First Quarter Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation by Operating Segment

The following table summarizes the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations

(\$ in millions)	Three Months ended 3/31/20					Three Months ended 3/31/19				
	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/Elim	Total
Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations	162	24	41	(106)	121	150	99	(23)	(132)	94
Plus:										
Interest expense, net	-	4	1	89	94	-	5	3	100	108
Income tax	-	-	1	22	23	-	-	-	4	4
Loss on debt extinguishment	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation and amortization	59	33	8	9	109	40	26	11	8	85
ARO Expense	3	8	-	-	11	3	3	1	-	7
Contract amortization	1	-	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	5
Lease amortization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EBITDA	225	70	51	14	360	198	133	(8)	(20)	303
Adjustment to reflect NRG share of adjusted EBITDA in unconsolidated affiliates	1	-	24	-	25	3	-	29	-	32
Acquisition-related transaction & integration costs	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Reorganization costs	1	-	-	2	3	1	-	-	12	13
Deactivation costs	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	3	4
Gain on sale of business	-	-	-	(15)	(15)	-	-	-	-	-
Other non recurring charges	(2)	-	(1)	3	-	3	(1)	(1)	-	1
Impairments	18	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-
Mark to market (MtM) (gains)/losses on economic hedges	(49)	20	(15)	-	(44)	(26)	12	(6)	-	(20)
Adjusted EBITDA	195	90	60	4	349	179	144	15	(5)	333

¹ Includes International, remaining renewables and eliminations

Appendix Table A-3: 2020 YTD Free Cash Flow before Growth

The following table summarizes the calculation of Free Cash Flow before Growth and provides a reconciliation to Cash provided by continuing operations

(\$ millions)	3 Months Ended 3/31/20	3 Months Ended 3/31/19
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ 349	\$ 333
Interest payments	(69)	(84)
Income Tax	(1)	-
Collateral / working capital / other	(71)	(348)
Cash provided by continuing operations	\$ 208	\$ (99)
Merger, integration and cost-to-achieve expenses ¹	3	16
GenOn settlement	-	5
Proceeds from sale of investments	11	-
Encina site improvement	2	-
Collateral	(9)	123
Adjusted Cash Flow from Operations	\$ 215	\$ 45
Maintenance capital expenditures, net	(48)	(35)
Environmental capital expenditures, net	-	-
Distributions to Non-Controlling Interests	-	-
Free Cash Flow before Growth	\$ 167	\$ 10

¹ Includes costs associated with the Transformation Plan announced on 7/12/2017

Appendix Table A-4: 2017-19 Adjusted EBITDA : The following table summarizes the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA providing reconciliation to Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations:

(\$ in millions)	2017					2018					2019				
	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total
Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations	(742)	91	(71)	(623)	(1,345)	837	136	91	(604)	460	972	287	7	2,854	4,120
Plus:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest expense, net	-	27	75	445	547	-	21	37	408	466	-	17	9	368	394
Income tax	-	-	(6)	(38)	(44)	-	1	-	6	7	-	2	1	(3,337)	(3,334)
Loss on debt extinguishment	-	-	-	49	49	-	-	-	44	44	-	-	3	48	51
Depreciation and amortization	258	112	194	32	596	156	105	127	33	421	188	121	33	31	373
ARO Expense	21	16	7	-	44	22	10	5	-	37	28	11	13	(1)	51
Contract amortization	31	-	4	-	35	26	-	1	-	27	19	-	-	-	19
Lease amortization	-	(8)	-	-	(8)	-	(8)	-	-	(8)	-	-	-	-	-
EBITDA	(432)	238	203	(135)	(126)	1,041	265	261	(113)	1,454	1,207	438	66	(37)	1,674
Adjustment to reflect NRG share of adjusted EBITDA in unconsolidated affiliates	17	-	34	(1)	50	9	-	73	1	83	12	-	104	(1)	115
Acquisition-related transaction & integration costs	-	-	-	4	4	-	2	-	7	9	1	1	-	1	3
Reorganization costs	19	2	7	16	44	21	2	3	81	107	6	-	-	17	23
Legal Settlement	-	(1)	-	-	(1)	13	-	10	6	29	3	6	2	2	13
Deactivation costs	4	2	7	8	21	-	9	1	12	22	(1)	12	7	9	27
Gain on sale of business	-	(13)	(5)	2	(16)	-	-	2	(30)	(28)	-	-	-	(6)	(6)
Other non recurring charges	(10)	(8)	-	24	6	(4)	15	(7)	(3)	1	(2)	2	(2)	(3)	(5)
Impairments	1,386	106	117	4	1,613	20	82	12	-	114	103	-	4	6	113
Mark to market (MtM) (gains)/losses on economic hedges	(229)	-	23	-	(206)	(92)	72	6	-	(14)	10	25	(15)	-	20
Adjusted EBITDA	755	326	386	(78)	1,389	1,008	447	361	(39)	1,777	1,339	484	166	(12)	1,977

¹ Includes International, remaining renewables and eliminations

Appendix Table A-5: 2019 Quarterly Adjusted EBITDA : The following table summarizes the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA providing reconciliation to Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations:

(\$ in millions)	1Q219					2Q19					3Q19					4Q19				
	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total	Texas	East	West/ Other ¹	Corp/ Elim	Total
Income/(Loss) from Continuing Operations	150	99	(23)	(132)	94	259	60	18	(148)	189	348	121	15	(110)	374	215	7	(3)	3,244	3,463
Plus:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest expense, net	-	5	3	100	108	-	4	3	92	99	1	4	2	88	95	-	4	-	88	92
Income tax	-	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	(1)	(1)	-	-	1	5	6	-	2	-	(3,345)	(3,343)
Loss on debt extinguishment	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	47	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	4
Depreciation and amortization	40	26	11	8	85	40	30	7	8	85	45	31	8	7	91	63	34	7	8	112
ARO Expense	3	3	1	-	7	3	3	1	-	7	3	3	11	-	17	17	3	1	-	21
Contract amortization	5	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	5	3	-	-	-	3
Lease amortization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
EBITDA	198	133	(8)	(20)	303	308	97	29	(2)	432	402	159	37	(10)	588	298	50	8	(4)	352
Adjustment to reflect NRG share of adjusted EBITDA in unconsolidated affiliates	3	-	29	-	32	5	-	28	-	33	3	-	22	1	26	-	-	24	1	25
Acquisition-related transaction & integration costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
Reorganization costs	1	-	-	12	13	3	-	-	(1)	2	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	6	7
Legal Settlement	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	2	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Deactivation costs	-	-	1	3	4	-	4	3	2	9	-	2	1	2	5	(1)	6	2	3	10
Gain on sale of business	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(6)	(6)
Other non recurring charges	3	(1)	(1)	-	1	-	-	2	(1)	1	3	(1)	1	(3)	-	(6)	3	(3)	(2)	(8)
Impairments	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	102	-	-	5	107	1	-	4	-	5
Mark to market (MTM) (gains)/losses on economic hedges	(26)	12	(6)	-	(20)	6	(14)	(13)	-	(21)	72	(17)	9	-	64	(42)	44	(5)	-	(3)
Adjusted EBITDA	179	144	15	(5)	333	326	93	51	(1)	469	584	143	70	(5)	792	251	103	30	-	384

¹ Includes International, remaining renewables and eliminations

Appendix Table A-6: 2019 Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation by Prior Operating Segment

The following table summarizes the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to Income from Continuing Operations

	Generation		Retail		Total
	Texas	East/ West ¹	Texas	East	
(\$ millions)					
Income from Continuing Operations	570	3,063	393	94	4,120
Plus:					
Interest expense, net	-	391	3	-	394
Income tax	-	(3,336)	1	1	(3,334)
Loss on debt extinguishment	-	51	-	-	51
Depreciation and amortization	88	128	109	48	373
ARO Expense	27	23	1	-	51
Contract amortization	19	-	-	-	19
EBITDA	704	320	507	143	1,674
Adjustment to reflect NRG share of adjusted EBITDA in unconsolidated affiliates	12	103	-	-	115
Acquisition-related transaction & integration costs	-	1	1	1	3
Reorganization costs	-	18	5	-	23
Legal Settlement	3	10	-	-	13
Deactivation costs	(1)	28	-	-	27
Gain on sale of assets	-	(6)	-	-	(6)
Other non-recurring charges	(1)	1	(5)	-	(5)
Impairments	101	11	1	-	113
Mark to market (MtM) (gains)/losses on economic hedges	(208)	(39)	220	47	20
Adjusted EBITDA	610	447	729	191	1,977

¹ Includes International, remaining renewables, Corporate and eliminations

Appendix Table A-7: 2019 and 2020 Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation for Midwest Gen

The following table summarizes the calculation of Adjusted EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to Income from Continuing Operations

(\$ millions)	2019	2020
Income from Continuing Operations¹	167	45
Plus:		
Interest Expense, Depreciation, Amortization, Contract Amortization and ARO Expense	48	45
EBITDA	215	90
Plus: Deactivation Costs, Other non recurring charges, and Mark to market (MtM) (gains) on economic hedges	(40)	-
Plus: Operating lease expense	14	14
Adjusted EBITDAR	189	104
Less: Operating lease expense	(14)	(14)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$175	\$90

¹ 2019 includes a reversal of an accrual related to the settlement of the Midwest Gen asbestos litigation

EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA are non-GAAP financial measures. These measurements are not recognized in accordance with GAAP and should not be viewed as an alternative to GAAP measures of performance. The presentation of Adjusted EBITDA should not be construed as an inference that NRG's future results will be unaffected by unusual or non-recurring items.

EBITDA represents net income before interest (including loss on debt extinguishment), taxes, depreciation and amortization. EBITDA is presented because NRG considers it an important supplemental measure of its performance and believes debt-holders frequently use EBITDA to analyze operating performance and debt service capacity. EBITDA has limitations as an analytical tool, and you should not consider it in isolation, or as a substitute for analysis of our operating results as reported under GAAP. Some of these limitations are:

EBITDA does not reflect cash expenditures, or future requirements for capital expenditures, or contractual commitments;

EBITDA does not reflect changes in, or cash requirements for, working capital needs;

EBITDA does not reflect the significant interest expense, or the cash requirements necessary to service interest or principal payments, on debt or cash income tax payments;

Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized will often have to be replaced in the future, and EBITDA does not reflect any cash requirements for such replacements; and

Other companies in this industry may calculate EBITDA differently than NRG does, limiting its usefulness as a comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, EBITDA should not be considered as a measure of discretionary cash available to use to invest in the growth of NRG's business. NRG compensates for these limitations by relying primarily on our GAAP results and using EBITDA and Adjusted EBITDA only supplementally. See the statements of cash flow included in the financial statements that are a part of this news release.

Adjusted EBITDA is presented as a further supplemental measure of operating performance. As NRG defines it, Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA excluding impairment losses, gains or losses on sales, dispositions or retirements of assets, any mark-to-market gains or losses from accounting for derivatives, adjustments to exclude the Adjusted EBITDA related to the non-controlling interest, gains or losses on the repurchase, modification or extinguishment of debt, the impact of restructuring and any extraordinary, unusual or non-recurring items plus adjustments to reflect the Adjusted EBITDA from our unconsolidated investments. The reader is encouraged to evaluate each adjustment and the reasons NRG considers it appropriate for supplemental analysis. As an analytical tool, Adjusted EBITDA is subject to all of the limitations applicable to EBITDA. In addition, in evaluating Adjusted EBITDA, the reader should be aware that in the future NRG may incur expenses similar to the adjustments in this news release.

Management believes Adjusted EBITDA is useful to investors and other users of NRG's financial statements in evaluating its operating performance because it provides an additional tool to compare business performance across companies and across periods and adjusts for items that we do not consider indicative of NRG's future operating performance. This measure is widely used by debt-holders to analyze operating performance and debt service capacity and by equity investors to measure our operating performance without regard to items such as interest expense, taxes, depreciation and amortization, which can vary substantially from company to company depending upon accounting methods and book value of assets, capital structure and the method by which assets were acquired. Management uses Adjusted EBITDA as a measure of operating performance to assist in comparing performance from period to period on a consistent basis and to readily view operating trends, as a measure for planning and forecasting overall expectations, and for evaluating actual results against such expectations, and in communications with NRG's Board of Directors, shareholders, creditors, analysts and investors concerning its financial performance.

Adjusted cash flow from operating activities is a non-GAAP measure NRG provides to show cash from operations with the reclassification of net payments of derivative contracts acquired in business combinations from financing to operating cash flow, as well as the add back of merger, integration and related restructuring costs. The Company provides the reader with this alternative view of operating cash flow because the cash settlement of these derivative contracts materially impact operating revenues and cost of sales, while GAAP requires NRG to treat them as if there was a financing activity associated with the contracts as of the acquisition dates. The Company adds back merger, integration related restructuring costs as they are one time and unique in nature and do not reflect ongoing cash from operations and they are fully disclosed to investors.

Free cash flow (before Growth investments) is adjusted cash flow from operations less maintenance and environmental capital expenditures, net of funding, preferred stock dividends and distributions to non-controlling interests and is used by NRG predominantly as a forecasting tool to estimate cash available for debt reduction and other capital allocation alternatives. The reader is encouraged to evaluate each of these adjustments and the reasons NRG considers them appropriate for supplemental analysis. Because we have mandatory debt service requirements (and other non-discretionary expenditures) investors should not rely on free cash flow before Growth investments as a measure of cash available for discretionary expenditures.

Free Cash Flow before Growth Investment is utilized by Management in making decisions regarding the allocation of capital. Free Cash Flow before Growth Investment is presented because the Company believes it is a useful tool for assessing the financial performance in the current period. In addition, NRG's peers evaluate cash available for allocation in a similar manner and accordingly, it is a meaningful indicator for investors to benchmark NRG's performance against its peers. Free Cash Flow before Growth Investment is a performance measure and is not intended to represent net income (loss), cash from operations (the most directly comparable U.S. GAAP measure), or liquidity and is not necessarily comparable to similarly titled measures reported by other companies.