

NRG Energy Reports Fourth Quarter and Full-Year 2005 Results and Subsequent Events

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PRINCETON, N.J.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--March 7, 2006--NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE:NRG):

- -- Successfully completed Texas Genco acquisition--for \$6.1 billion and \$2.7 billion in assumed debt--and associated balance sheet recapitalization on February 2, 2006;
- -- Agreed to acquire Dynegy's 50% interest in West Coast Power (904 MW net) and to sell to Dynegy our 50% interest in Rocky Road (165 MW net) for a net purchase price of \$160 million (FERC approval received March 1, 2006);
- -- Agreed to sell the Audrain power plant (577 MW) to Ameren, which finalizes the elimination of \$412 million of liabilities at closing (approval pending);
- -- Fourth quarter adjusted EBITDA results of \$202 million, before the impact of mark-to-market (MtM) adjustments;
- -- Full-year adjusted EBITDA of \$722 million before the impact of MtM adjustments; and
- -- Reaffirms 2006 adjusted EBITDA guidance and raises cash flow outlook.

NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE:NRG) today reported net income of \$64 million for the fourth quarter, or \$0.68 per diluted share, compared to \$19 million or \$0.18 per diluted share for the same period in the prior year. Net income for 2005 totaled \$84 million or \$0.75 per diluted share versus \$186 million or \$1.85 per diluted share in 2004.

The quarter-on-quarter increase was driven primarily by higher generation and more favorable market pricing in the Northeast region, coupled with lower G&A (approximately \$25 million) and reduced interest and refinancing costs (\$56 million). Full-year results for 2005 versus 2004 were favorably affected by higher energy prices, increased generation from our New York City assets, lower general and administrative costs, and reduced interest and refinancing expenses. Offsetting these improvements was \$119 million of net domestic MtM losses related to the Company's open asset-backed hedges that are economically neutral to the Company. In addition, non-core asset divestitures and other changes within the portfolio also accounted for a portion of the decline.

"This was an eventful year for NRG, and we are a stronger and better positioned company at all levels today--commercial, operations, regulatory and financial--than at any time in our past," said David Crane, NRG's President and Chief Executive Officer. "This year we built on the Company's strong foundation to extend NRG's strategic and competitive advantages within the industry. We have continued to focus on commercial and operational excellence--through such programs as FORNRG, strategic hedging and risk management policies, disciplined acquisitions and divestitures--while maintaining our commitment to prudent balance sheet management and return of capital to stakeholders."

MtM Impacts of Hedging and Trading Activities

In the fourth quarter of 2004 and over the course of 2005, the Company entered into contracts to lock in forward prices for a significant portion of its expected power generation, largely related to our Northeast assets, for the balance of 2005 and calendar year 2006. These hedging activities are intended to mitigate the risk of commodity price movements on revenues and cost of energy sold. While these transactions are predominately economic hedges of the portfolio, a majority of NRG's current forward sales portfolio are afforded hedge accounting treatment. The sharp rise in forward electricity prices, particularly during the third quarter, led the Company to record \$206 million in year-to-date MtM losses through the third quarter associated with our open economic hedged positions. During the fourth quarter 2005, lower forward electricity prices led to a \$87 million net reduction in the Company's MtM loss at year end. Additionally, during the fourth quarter of 2005 we had \$27 million in MtM gains resulting from entering into various transactions not tied to specific assets, but to support our overall portfolio.

Regional Segment Review of Results

Table 1: Three Months Income from Continuing Operations before Taxes and Adjusted EBITDA by region
(\$in millions)
Income from Adjusted EBITDA
Continuing

Operations before Taxes

Three months ending	12/31/05	12/31/04	12/31/05	12/31/04
Northeast (1)	146	90	159	112
South Central	14	7	32	23
Australia	(2)	(4)	11	11
Western	(25)(4)	23	3	49
Other North America	(22)(4) (13)	_	18
Other International	16	11	23	20
Alternative Energy, Non- generation,				
and Other	(35)(2) (97)(3) 12	(18)
Total	\$92	\$17	\$240	\$215

- (1) Includes net domestic MtM gain of economic hedges totaling \$38 million and \$60 million in 2005 and 2004, respectively.
- (2) Includes interest and refinancing expense of \$46 million and interest income.
- (3) Includes interest and refinancing expense of \$89 million and interest income.
- (4) Includes asset impairments/writedowns of \$27 million for Saguaro and \$20 million for Rocky Road.

Table 2: Full-year Income from Continuing Operations before Taxes and Adjusted EBITDA by region

Adjusted Ebilda by legion		
(\$in millions)	Income from	Adjusted EBITDA
	Continuing	
	Operations before	
	Taxes	

Twelve months ending	12/31/05 12	2/31/04	12/31/05	12/31/04
Northeast (1)	 222	322	299	415
South Central	11	49	71	115
Australia	17	5	61	70
Western	(10)(4)	65	18	185
Other North America	(36)(4)	(42)	9	77
Other International	107	79	96	93
Alternative Energy, Non-				
generation,				
and Other	(191)(2)	(252)(3) 49	16
Total	\$120	\$226	\$603	\$971

- (1) Includes net domestic MtM loss of economic hedges totaling \$119 million in 2005 and MtM gain of \$59 million in 2004.
- (2) Includes interest and refinancing expense of \$215 million and interest income.
- (3) Includes interest and refinancing expense of \$261 million, the \$39 million CL&P settlement and interest income.
- (4) Includes asset impairments/writedowns of \$27 million for Saguaro and \$20 million for Rocky Road.

Northeast: For the year, NRG's Northeast operations benefited from a significant increase in power prices resulting in wider dark spread margins, and higher gas and oil generation output. In addition, since the end of 2005, there have been significant regulatory developments affecting the Company's Northeast portfolio including:

-- On February 1, 2006, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) approved the Company's Reliability-Must-Run (RMR) contracts for NRG's Middletown, Montville, and Devon (Connecticut) plants. The new RMR agreements continue until the units are no longer needed for reliability or a suitable

market alternative is implemented.

- -- On February 9, 2006, the New York-Independent System Operator (NYISO) increased the New York City locational capacity requirement to 83% from 80%.
- -- On March 6, 2006, the FERC settlement judge filed a comprehensive LICAP case settlement with the Commission. The broad terms cover multiyear interim payments for all generators in New England and provide for a forward procurement capacity market design. The Commission is expected to issue a decision by early summer.

The Company expects the net impact of these regulatory changes on the financial performance of our Northeast region to be moderately positive over time

South Central: Despite improved fourth quarter commercial and operational performance, NRG's South Central results were down year-on-year. This decline was largely due to increased purchased power costs to meet larger than anticipated load following contract obligations, due to higher demand from warmer than normal weather conditions and increased forced unit outages at the Big Cajun II facility.

Western: Lower results are primarily attributable to the expiration of the California Department of Water Resources (CDWR) contract at the end of 2004.

- -- A tolling agreement for El Segundo's total capacity from May 1, 2006 through April 30, 2008 has been executed with a major load serving entity. The CAISO designated Encina unit 4 as an RMR unit. If approved by FERC, Encina units 4 and 5 will receive partial cost recovery under RMR and both units will be available in the market for 2006. The Red Bluff and Chowchilla facilities have received capacity contracts for the period April 1, 2006 through December 31, 2007.
- -- In December 2005, NRG entered into an agreement to acquire Dynegy's 50% ownership interest in West Coast Power and to sell to Dynegy its 50 percent ownership interest in Rocky Road Power LLC for a net purchase price of \$160 million. On March 1, 2006, the Company received FERC approval for these transactions. The Company continues to anticipate closing both transactions before April 1, 2006.

Australia: While generation was higher for the year, unseasonably mild summer weather led to weak pool prices in the first quarter 2005 lowering year-on-year results.

-- As part of the Company's focus on value enhancing opportunities, NRG announced on January 5, 2006 that it is exploring strategic alternatives for its Australian assets. We anticipate achieving greater certainty with respect to the likely outcome of this process by the end of the second quarter.

FORNRG Update

In May 2005, NRG announced a comprehensive cost and margin improvement program, consisting of a large number of asset, portfolio and headquarters-specific targeted initiatives. The ultimate objective of this program was to produce \$100 million of recurring benefits by 2008.

As of December 31, 2005, FORNRG achieved \$39 million of related savings, exceeding our \$30 million first year savings target. For 2006, NRG expects to achieve approximately \$59 million of recurring cumulative savings, principally through improved performance at NRG's coal-fired plants. The \$59 million target is up from our prior estimate of \$54 million, reflecting the recurring benefit of our first year's success with the cumulative goal being \$105 million.

"While it is still too early to reach definitive conclusions, the exceptional post-outage performance of those coal-fired units, which were subject to major planned outages during the fall, gives us a high degree of confidence that we will meet or exceed our second year FORNRG target," Crane continued.

Liquidity and Capital Resources

Table 3: Corporate Liquidity

Estimated Post-Acquisition of Texas Genco

Pre-Acquisition of Texas Genco

(\$ in millions)	2/28/06	12/31/05(1)	12/31/04(1)
Unrestricted Cash: Restricted Cash:	\$764 63	\$506 64	\$1,110 113
Total Cash Letter of Credit Availability Revolver Availability	\$827 230 845	\$570 38 150	\$1,223 193 150
Total Current Liquidity (1) These amounts have not been reclarations.	\$1,902 assified	•	, ,

NRG's hedging and trading activities require credit collateral support when prices change from the levels where trades were executed. Collateral supporting these activities at December 31, 2005 totaled \$530 million, of which \$438 million was in cash and \$92 million was letters of credit. Any outstanding collateral is returned when the underlying trades settle. Cash collateral returned between year end 2005 and March 3, 2006 was \$271 million.

To fund the Texas Genco acquisition, in February 2006 NRG closed the following financings:

- -- Senior secured credit facility in the aggregate amount of \$5.575 billion to replace its existing senior credit facility. The senior secured credit facility consists of a \$3.575 billion senior first priority secured term loan facility, and liquidity facilities comprised of \$1.0 billion senior first priority secured revolving credit facility and \$1.0 billion senior first priority secured letter of credit facility;
- -- Senior unsecured notes totaling \$3.6 billion of borrowings in two tranches: \$1.2 billion at a per year rate equal to 7.250% to mature on February 1, 2014 and \$2.4 billion at a per year rate equal to 7.375% to mature on February 1, 2016;
- -- Common stock offering totaling \$1 billion, net proceeds of \$985 million (20,855,057 shares of common stock at \$48.75 per share); and
- -- Mandatory convertible preferred stock offering totaling \$500 million, net proceeds of \$485 million (2,000,000 shares at an offering price of \$250 per share). Shares of the mandatory convertible preferred stock will be mandatorily convertible into NRG common stock on March 16, 2009.

In addition to the above borrowings and equity issuances, the Company issued 35.4 million shares of common stock to the former owners of Texas Genco. The sellers are prohibited from selling their shares received for the acquisition before August 1, 2006 without NRG's consent. At closing of the Texas Genco transaction, common shares outstanding totaled approximately 137 million shares.

"NRG's strong cash flows and our prudent capital allocation enabled us to create significant value for NRG's stakeholders in the past year," said Robert Flexon, NRG's Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. "In addition to reducing debt and executing a \$250 million accelerated share buyback, we invested in a number of growth opportunities, including the recently completed acquisition of Texas Genco, and FORNRG initiatives to improve the long-term economic and environmental performance of our assets. In the coming year, we expect continued debt reduction, investments in strategic growth opportunities and the return of capital to our shareholders to be our capital allocation priorities."

NRG Texas Integration

While the Company has owned Texas Genco, now known as NRG Texas, for only three weeks, the Company is confident that it will achieve its top integration priorities in a timely fashion. The Company will report more fully on the integration progress during our next quarterly earnings call.

Outlook

The Company reaffirmed its adjusted EBITDA guidance outlook for 2006--adjusted EBITDA of \$1.6 billion--and is increasing its cash flow from operations guidance by \$140 million to nearly \$1.4 billion. The improved outlook for cash flow from operations reflects lower interest rates and the timing of cash interest payments of our new debt facilities. With respect to our adjusted EBITDA and cash flow from operations guidance, our outlook, as always, is based on normal weather patterns going forward. As such, if the unusually moderate weather experienced to date in 2006 should continue through the remainder of the winter or if we experience an unusually moderate summer, this would likely result in a declining 2006 outlook for adjusted EBITDA and cash flow from operations. Adjusted EBITDA and cash flow from operations guidance excludes the net impact of the pending

Table 4: 2006 Reconciliation of Adjusted EBITDA Guidance (\$ in millions)

	2006 guidance
Adjusted EBITDA	\$1,600
MtM adjustment	116
Adjusted EBITDA, including MtM	\$1,716
Interest payments	(475)
Income tax	(15)
Other funds used by operations	(207)
Return of posted collateral (a)	405
Working capital changes	(37)
Cash flow from operations (a)	\$1,387

(a) The 2006 cash flow from operations includes the return of \$405 million of cash collateral that was outstanding at the end of 2005 for transactions that will settle in 2006.

Earnings Conference Call

On March 7, 2006, NRG will host a conference call at 9:00 a.m. eastern to discuss these results. To access the live webcast and accompanying slide presentation, log on to NRG's website at and click on "Investors." To participate in the call, dial 877.407.8035. International callers should dial 201.689.8035. Participants should dial in or log on approximately five minutes prior to the scheduled start time.

The call will be available for replay shortly after completion of the live event on the "Investors" section of the NRG website.

Annual Meeting of Shareholders

NRG's Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Friday, April 28, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. eastern at the Hotel DuPont in Wilmington, Delaware.

About NRG

With the recent acquisition of Texas Genco LLC, NRG Energy, Inc. now owns and operates a diverse portfolio of power-generating facilities, primarily in Texas, the Northeast, South Central and Western regions of the United States. Its operations include baseload, intermediate, peaking, and cogeneration facilities, thermal energy production and energy resource recovery facilities. NRG also has ownership interests in generating facilities in Australia and Germany.

Safe Harbor Disclosure

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, expected earnings, future growth and financial performance, anticipated timing of the WCP, Rocky Road and Audrain transactions, expected timing and results of the NRG Texas integration process, and typically can be identified by the use of words such as "will," "expect," "estimate," "anticipate," "forecast," "plan," "believe" and similar terms. 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, general economic conditions, hazards customary in the power industry, weather conditions, competition in wholesale power markets, the volatility of energy and fuel prices, failure of customers to perform under contracts, changes in the wholesale power markets and related government regulation, the condition of capital markets generally, our ability to access capital markets, unanticipated outages at our generation facilities, our ability to convert facilities to use western coal successfully, adverse results in current and future litigation, the inability to implement value enhancing improvements to plant operations and companywide processes, the timing of and the ability to complete the WCP, Rocky Road and Audrain transactions and our ability to achieve NRG Texas integration priorities.

NRG undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. The adjusted EBITDA guidance is an estimate as of today's date, March 7, 2006 and is based on assumptions believed to be reasonable as of this date. NRG expressly disclaims any current intention to update such guidance. 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 be considered in connection with information regarding risks and uncertainties that may affect NRG's future results included in NRG's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov.

More information on NRG is available at www.nrgenergy.com

Appendix Table A-1: Adjusted Net Income Reconciliation The following table summarizes the calculation of adjusted net income and provides a reconciliation to GAAP net income, including per share amounts.

	Three Mont	hs Ended		
(Dollars in millions, except per share amounts)				
Net Income	\$64	\$0.68	\$19	\$0.18
Plus: (Income) Loss from discontinued operations, net of				
tax	6	0.06	(2)	(0.01)
Corporate relocation charges, net of tax Reorganization	-	-	2	0.02
items, net of tax	-	-	(7)	(0.07)
Impairment charges, net of tax	-	-	2	0.02
TermoRio legal matters, net of tax Gain on settlement,	2	0.02	-	-
net of tax Gain on sale of	(5)	(0.05)	-	-
land, net of tax Write downs and (gains)/losses on sales of equity	(2)	(0.03)	-	-
<pre>method investments, net of tax</pre>	28	0.30	1	0.01
Adjusted Net Income	\$93	\$0.98	\$15	\$0.15

Note: Diluted EPS in 2005 is after adjusting for preferred stock dividends

Appendix Table A-2: Adjusted Net Income Reconciliation

The following table summarizes the calculation of adjusted net income

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Twelve Months Ended Twelve Months Ended

(Dollars in millions, except per share

amounts) 12/31/2005 Diluted EPS 12/31/2004 Diluted EPS

Net Income \$84 \$0.75 \$186 \$1.85 Plus:

Income from discontinued

operations, net of				
tax	(7)	(0.09)	(25)	(0.25)
Corporate relocation				
charges, net of tax	3	0.04	10	0.10
Reorganization				
items, net of tax	-	_	(8)	(0.08)
Impairment charges,				
net of tax	4	0.05	27	0.27
FERC-authorized				
settlement with				
CL&P, net of tax	-	_	(23)	(0.23)
Proceeds received on				
Crockett				
contingency, net of				
tax	(2)	(0.02)	-	_
TermoRio legal				
matters, net of tax	(6)	(0.07)	-	-
Gain on settlement,				
net of tax	(5)	(0.05)	_	_
Gain on sale of				
land, net of tax	(2)	(0.03)	-	_
Write down of note				
receivable, net of				
tax	-	_	2	0.03
Write downs and				
(gains)/losses on				
sales of equity				
method investments,				
net of tax	31	0.36	10	0.10
Adjusted Net Income	\$100	\$0.94	\$179	\$1.79
	7-00	70.22	7	7/2

Note: Diluted EPS in 2005 is after adjusting for preferred stock dividends $\,$

Appendix Table A-3: Fourth Quarter 2005 Regional EBITDA Reconciliation The following table summarizes the calculation of EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to net income/(loss):

Three months ending December 31, 2005	Northeast	South Central	Western	Other NA
Net Income (Loss):	\$146	\$17	\$(25)	\$(25)
Plus:				
Income Tax Expense/				
(Benefit)	-	-	_	2
Interest Expense	_	1	-	3
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	-	_	_	_
Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	_	1	_	1
Refinancing Expenses	_	_	_	_
Depreciation Expense	18	16	1	2
Amortization of Power				
Contract	_	(4)	_	_
Amortization of				
Emission Credits	2	1	_	
EBITDA	\$166	\$32	\$(24)	\$(17)
Loss from Discontinued				
Operations	_	_	_	1
Write Down and				
(Gain)/Losses on Sales				
of Equity Method				
or name, needed				

Investments	-	-	27	20
Gain on settlement	(7)	-	-	_
Gain on sale of land	-	_	-	(4)
TermoRio legal matters	-	-	_	_
Adjusted EBITDA	\$159	\$32	\$3	\$-

Three months ending December 31, 2005	Australia	Other Int'l	Other	Total
Net Income (Loss): Plus:	\$(2)	\$11	\$(58)	\$64
Income Tax Expense/				
(Benefit)	-	5	15	2 2
Interest Expense	3	3	22	32
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	-	-	13	13
Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	_	_	(1)	1
Refinancing Expenses	-	_	12	12
Depreciation Expense	7	1	5	50
Amortization of Power				
Contract	3	-	-	(1)
Amortization of				
Emission Credits	_	-	-	3
EBITDA	\$11	\$20	\$8	\$196
Loss from Discontinued				
Operations	-	_	4	5
Write Down and				
(Gain)/Losses on Sales				
of Equity Method				
Investments	-	-	-	47
Gain on settlement	_	_	-	(7)
Gain on sale of land	-	_	-	(4)
TermoRio legal matters	-	3	-	3
Adjusted EBITDA	\$11	\$23	\$12	\$240

Appendix Table A-4: Fourth Quarter 2004 Regional EBITDA Reconciliation The following table summarizes the calculation of EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to net income/(loss):

Three months ending Northeast South Western Other NA December 31, 2004 Central _____ \$91 \$7 \$22 Net Income (Loss): Plus: Income Tax (6) Expense/(Benefit) Interest Expense 2 7 Amortization of Finance Costs Amortization of Debt Discount/(Premium) 1 3 Refinancing Expenses Depreciation Expense 19 15 2 WCP CDWR Contract 26 Amortization Amortization of Power Contracts (3) 1 Amortization of Emission Credits 2 1

EBITDA Income from	\$112	\$23	\$49	\$9
Discontinued				
Operations	_	_	_	5
Corporate Relocation				3
charges	_	_	_	_
Reorganization items	_	_	_	_
Impairment charges	_	_	_	2
Write Downs and				
(Gain)/Loss on Sales				
of Equity				
Investments	-	-	-	2
Adjusted EBITDA	\$112	\$23	\$49	\$18
Three months ending	Australia	Other Int'l	Other	Total
December 31, 2004				
Net Income (Loss):	¢(2)	\$10	 ¢/100\	\$19
Plus:	Ş(Δ)	ŞIO	\$(109)	ŞΣĐ
Income Tax				
Expense/(Benefit)	(3)	1	8	_
Interest Expense	4	8	47	68
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	_	_	2	2
Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	_	_	(1)	3
Refinancing Expenses	_	-	41	41
Depreciation Expense	7	1	6	50
WCP CDWR Contract				
Amortization	_	-	-	26
Amortization of Power				
Contracts	5	-	_	6
Amortization of				
Emission Credits	-	-	-	3
EBITDA	\$11	\$20	\$(6)	\$21 8
Income from				
Discontinued			(4)	1
Operations Corporate Relocation	_	_	(4)	1
-			4	4
charges Reorganization items	_	_	4 (12)	4 (12)
Impairment charges	_	_	(12)	2
Write Downs and				2
(Gain)/Loss on Sales				
of Equity				
Investments	_	_	_	2
Adjusted EBITDA	\$11	\$20	\$(18)	\$215

Appendix Table A-5: Full-year 2005 Regional EBITDA Reconciliation
The following table summarizes the calculation of EBITDA and provides a reconciliation to net income/(loss):

Twelve Months ending December 31, 2005	Northeast	South Central	Western	Other NA
Net Income (Loss): Plus:	\$222	\$11	\$(10)	\$(39)
Income Tax Expense	_	_	_	4
Interest Expense	-	7	-	13
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	-	_	_	-

Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	_	2	_	5
Refinancing Expense	_	_	-	-
Depreciation Expense	74	61	1	7
Amortization of Power				
Contracts	_	(14)	-	5
Amortization of				
Emission Credits	10	4	_	_
EBITDA	\$306	\$71	\$(9)	\$(5)
Income from				
Discontinued				/1\
Operations Corporate Relocation	_	_	_	(1)
charges				_
Impairment charges	_	_	_	6
Gain on settlement	(7)	_	_	-
Gain on sale of land	-	_	_	(4)
TermoRio legal matters	_	_	_	_
Gain on Crockett				
contingency	_	_	_	(3)
Write Down and				ν - /
(Gains)/Losses on				
Sales of Equity Method				
Investments	_	_	27	16
Adjusted EBITDA	\$299	\$71	\$18	\$9
			0.1	
Twelve Months ending	Australia	Other Int'l	Other	Total
December 31, 2005				
Net Income (Loss):	\$15	\$89	\$(204)	\$84
Plus:	, -	,	,	
Income Tax Expense	2	18	19	43
Interest Expense	13	8	134	175
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	-	_	17	17
Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	-	-	(2)	5
Refinancing Expense	(10)	_	66	56
Depreciation Expense	27	4	20	194
Amortization of Power				
Contracts	14	-	_	5
Amortization of				
Emission Credits	-	-	(1)	13
EBITDA	\$61	\$119	\$49	\$592
Income from				
Discontinued			(6)	(7)
Operations	_	_	(6)	(7)
Corporate Relocation charges			6	6
Impairment charges	_	_	6	6
Gain on settlement	_	_	_	(7)
Gain on sale of land	_	_	_	(4)
TermoRio legal matters	_ _	(11)	_	(11)
Gain on Crockett		(11)		(11)
contingency	_	_	_	(3)
Write Down and				(3)
(Gains)/Losses on				
Sales of Equity Method				
Investments	_	(12)	-	31
Adjusted EBITDA	\$61	\$96	\$49	\$603

Appendix Table A-6: Full-year 2004 Regional EBITDA Reconciliation The following table summarizes the calculation of EBITDA and provides

Twelve months ending December 31, 2004		South Central	Western	Other NA
Net Income (Loss):	\$322	\$49	\$65	\$(18)
Plus:				
Income Tax				
Expense/(Benefit)	_	_		(10)
Interest Expense	1	6		30
Amortization of Finance Costs				
Amortization of Debt	_	_	_	_
Discount/(Premium)		3		15
	_	3	_	_
Refinancing expense	72	-	1	
Depreciation Expense	73	62	1	21
WCP CDWR contract			116	
amortization	_	_	116	_
Amortization of power		(14)	2	1.0
contracts	6	(14)	3	10
Amortization of		_		
emission credits	13	5	-	-
EBITDA	\$415	\$111	\$185	\$48
(Income)/ Loss from				
discontinued				
operations	_	_	-	(14)
Corporate Relocation				
Charges			-	-
Reorganization Items		1	-	
Impairment charges	-	3	-	27
Write down of notes				
receivable	-	-	-	5
FERC-authorized				
settlement with CL&P	-	-	-	-
Write Downs,				
(Gain)/Loss on Sales				
of Equity				
Investments	_	_	_	11
Adjusted EBITDA	\$415	\$115	\$185	\$77
Twelve months ending December 31, 2004	Australia	Other Int'l	Other	Total
Net Income (Loss):	\$10	\$78	\$(320)	\$186
Plus:				
Income Tax	. –			
Expense/(Benefit)	(5)	13	67	65
Interest Expense	12	11	184	244
Amortization of Finance				
Costs	_	_	9	9
Amortization of Debt				
Discount/(Premium)	(1)	_	(4)	13
Refinancing expense	_	-	72	72
Depreciation Expense	24	3	24	208
WCP CDWR contract amortization	_	_	_	116
Amortization of power				110
contracts	29		1	35
Amortization of	∠ ⊅	_	Δ.	JJ
				10
emission credits	- 460	- 610F	- 422	18
EBITDA (Ingomo) / Logg from	\$69	\$105	\$33	\$966
(Income)/ Loss from discontinued				

operations	-	(12)	1	(25)
Corporate Relocation				
Charges	_	-	16	16
Reorganization Items	-	_	(14)	(13)
Impairment charges	-	-	15	45
Write down of notes				
receivable	_	_	_	5
FERC-authorized				
settlement with CL&P	-	_	(39)	(39)
Write Downs,				
(Gain)/Loss on Sales				
of Equity				
Investments	1	_	4	16
Adjusted EBITDA	\$70	\$93	\$16	\$971

EBITDA, adjusted EBITDA and adjusted net income are nonGAAP 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 and adjusted net income 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, 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 debts;
- -- 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. Adjusted EBITDA represents EBITDA adjusted for reorganization, restructuring, impairment and corporate

relocation charges, discontinued operations, and write downs and gains or losses on the sales of equity method investments; factors which we do not consider indicative of future operating performance. 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.

Similar to Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted net income represents net income adjusted for reorganization, restructuring, impairment and corporate relocation charges, discontinued operations, and write downs and gains or losses on the sales of equity method investments; factors which we do not consider indicative of future operating performance. The reader is encouraged to evaluate each adjustment and the reasons NRG considers it appropriate for supplemental analysis. In addition, in evaluating adjusted net income, the reader should be aware that in the future NRG may incur expenses similar to the adjustments in this news release.

NRG ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Reorgani	Reorganized NRG		
	December 31, 2005	December 31, 2004		
	(In millio	ns, except		
	shares and	par value)		
ASSETS				
Current Assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	. \$50	6 \$1,104		
Restricted cash	. 6	4 110		
Accounts receivable-trade, less allowance	2			
for doubtful accounts of \$2 and \$1	280	270		
Accounts receivable-affiliate		4		
Current portion of notes receivable and				
capital lease	. 2	5 85		
Property taxes receivable	. 4:	3 37		
Inventory	. 26	0 247		
Derivative instruments valuation	. 40	4 80		
Collateral on deposit in support of energ	У			
risk management activities	. 43	8 33		
Deferred income taxes		4		
Prepayments and other current assets	. 12	5 136		
Current assets held for sale	43			
Current assets discontinued operations.		L 17		
Total current assets	. 2,19	7 2,119		
Property, Plant and Equipment, net	. 3,03	9 3,158		
Other Assets				
Equity investments in affiliates Notes receivable, less current portion		3 735		
affiliates, net		3 124		
current portion, net	. 35	5 440		

Intangible assets, net of accumulated		
amortization of \$79 and \$55	257	294
Derivative instruments valuation	22	42
Funded letter of credit	350	350
Deferred income tax	26	34
Other assets	125	111
Non-current assets discontinued		
operations	354	457
Total other assets		2,587
Total Assets	\$7,431	
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS'	EQUITY	
Current portion of long-term debt and		
capital leases	\$101	\$511
Accounts payable trade	268	209
Accounts payable affiliates		5
Derivative instruments valuation	692	17
Other bankruptcy settlement	3	6
Accrued expenses	82	57
Other current liabilities	95	109
Current liabilities discontinued	90	103
operations	115	173
Total current liabilities	1,356	1,085
Other Liabilities	1,330	1,00
	2 E01	2 07
Long-term debt and capital leases	2,581	2,973
Deferred income taxes	135	169
Postretirement and other benefit	105	
obligations	125	116
Derivative instruments valuation	137	148
Out of market contracts	298	319
Other long-term obligations	81	71
Non-current liabilities discontinued		
operations	240	288
Total non-current liabilities	3,597	4,084
Total liabilities	4,953	5,17
Minority interest	1	1
Stock; \$.01 par value; 250,000 shares		
issued and outstanding (at liquidation value of \$250, net of issuance costs)	246	
Value 01 7100, 1100 01 1222441100 00202,	210	
Commitments and Contingencies Stockholders' Equity		
4% Convertible Perpetual Preferred Stock;		
\$.01 par value; 420,000 shares issued and		
outstanding at December 31, 2005 and 2004		
(at liquidation value of \$420, net of		
issuance costs)	406	406
Common stock; \$.01 par value; 100,048,676	400	406
and 100,041,935 shares issued and		
80,701,888 and 87,041,935 outstanding at	4	-
December 31, 2005 and 2004, respectively	1	1
Additional paid-in capital	2,431	2,41
Retained earnings	261	19'
Less treasury stock, at cost; 19,346,788 and		
13,000,000 shares as of December 31, 2005		
and 2004, respectively	(663)	(40
Accumulated other comprehensive		
income/(loss)	(205)	76
Total stockholders' equity	2,231	2,692

NRG ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

Reorganized NRG _____

Quarter Ended Quarter Ended December 31, 2005 December 31, 2004

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	amounts)	
Operating Revenues		
Revenues from majority-owned		
operations	\$770	\$577
operacions	\$770	Ş3//
Operating Costs and Expenses		
Cost of majority-owned		
operations	516	377
Depreciation and amortization.	50	49
General, administrative and		
development	47	74
-	1	7 1
Other charges (credits)		
Corporate relocation		
charges		4
Reorganization items		(11)
Restructuring and impairment		
charges		3
Fresh start reporting		
adjustments		
-		
Legal settlement		
Total operating costs and		
expenses	613	496
Operating Income/(Loss)	157	81
Other Income/(Expense)		
Equity in earnings of		
	0.1	4.2
unconsolidated affiliates	21	43
Write downs and losses on		
sales of equity method		
investments	(47)	(2)
Other income, net	19	10
Refinancing expenses	(12)	(42)
Interest expense	(46)	(73)
interest expense	(40)	(73)
Matal ather among	(65)	(64)
Total other expense		(64)
Income/(Loss) From Continuing		
Operations Before Income		
Taxes	92	17
<pre>Income Tax Expense/(Benefit)</pre>	22	
<u> </u>		
Income/(Loss) From Continuing		
	70	17
Operations	70	Ι/
Income/(Loss) on Discontinued		
Operations, net of Income		
Taxes	(6)	2
Net Income/(Loss)	64	19

Year Ended Year Ended December 31, 2005 December 31, 2004

(In millions, except per share amounts)

	amounts)
Operating Revenues		
Revenues from majority-owned		
operations	\$2,708	\$2,348
-		
Operating Costs and Expenses		
Cost of majority-owned		
operations	2,067	1,489
Depreciation and	2,007	1,400
amortization	194	208
	194	206
General, administrative and	100	0.1.0
development	197	210
Other charges (credits)		
Corporate relocation		
charges	6	16
Reorganization items		(13)
Restructuring and impairment		
charges	6	45
Fresh start reporting		
adjustments		
Legal settlement		
-		
Total operating costs and		
expenses	2,470	1,955
-		
Operating Income/(Loss)	238	393
-		
Other Income/(Expense)		
Equity in earnings of		
unconsolidated affiliates	104	160
Write downs and losses on	101	200
sales of equity method		
investments	(21)	(16)
	(31)	(16) 27
Other income, net		
Refinancing expenses	(56)	(72)
Interest expense	(197)	(266)
Total other expense	(118)	(167)
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Income/(Loss) From Continuing		
Operations Before Income		
Taxes	120	226
Income Tax Expense/(Benefit)	43	65
-		
Income/(Loss) From Continuing		
Operations	77	161
Income/(Loss) on Discontinued		
Operations, net of Income		
Taxes	7	25
-		
Net Income/(Loss)	84	186

NRG ENERGY, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended	Year Ended	4
	December 31, 2005	December 31 2004	1,
	(In mil		
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Net income	\$84	1 \$1	186
Distributions in excess of (less than) equity earnings of unconsolidated			
affiliates	(8	3)	(1)
Depreciation and amortization	195	5 2	215
Reserve for note and interest receivable Amortization of financing costs and deb			12
discount/(premium)		!	28
due to refinancings	(8)	42
equity method investments	31		16
Deferred income taxes and investment tax			
credits		1	57
Unrealized (gains)/losses on derivatives			
			(74)
Minority interest			1
Amortization of intangible assets Amortization of unearned equity			52
compensations			14
Restructuring and impairment charges	6		45
Fresh start reporting adjustments			
Loss on sale and disposal of assets	4		1
Gain on sale of discontinued operations.	(6	(23
Gain on TermoRio settlement	(14	:)	
of energy risk management activities Cash provided by (used in) changes in	(405)	(7)
certain working capital items, net of effects from acquisitions and			
dispositions			
Accounts receivable, net	(8	3) ((52
Xcel Energy settlement receivable		. 6	540
Inventory		1)	(56
Prepayments and other current assets		5) 1	L26
Accounts payable		'	50
Accrued expenses	(8	3) ((21
Creditor pool obligation payments		. (5	540
Other current liabilities	(8	3) (1	106
Other assets and liabilities			40
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating			
Activities	. 68 	3	645
Cash Flows from Investing Activities Proceeds from sale of discontinued			
operations Proceeds from sale of investments			253 51
Proceeds from sale of turbines and other			
<pre>property, plant and equipment Decrease/(increase) in restricted cash an</pre>	9 d		4
trust funds		; ((27
Decrease/(increase) in notes receivable			25
Deferred acquisition costs			
Capital expenditures			119
Return of capital/(Investments) in	(10)	. ,	

Return of capital/(Investments) in

projects	2	(3)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Investing Activities		184
Cash Flows from Financing Activities Payment of dividends to preferred		
shareholders	(20)	
obligations Accelerated share repurchase payment,	(4)	
net	(250)	
Purchase of treasury stock		(405)
Issuance of 4% Preferred Stock, net		406
Issuance of 3.625% Preferred Stock, net	246	
Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt,	249	1,333
net Deferred debt issuance costs	(46)	(26)
Funded letter of credit	(40)	(100)
Principal payments on short and long-term		(100)
debt	(1,005)	(1.492)
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Financing		
Activities	(830)	
Effect of Exchange Rate Changes on Cash and		
Cash Equivalents	(2)	3
Change in Cash from Discontinued	(- /	
Operations	8	6
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents	(598)	554
Cash and Cash Equivalents at Beginning of	(350)	554
Period	1,104	550
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Cash and Cash Equivalents at End of Period	\$506 ====================================	
		

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