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0.5 response 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person^{*} 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG] Issuer CRANE DAVID W (Check all applicable) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X Director 10% Owner 05/01/2015 (Middle) (Last) (First) Officer (give Other (specify Х NRG ENERGY, INC., 211 CARNEGIE CENTER title below) below) President & CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check PRINCETON NJ 08540 (Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and			
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/01/2015		A		3,265	A	(1)	1,092,697 ⁽²⁾	D		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Instr. 8		5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents dividend equivalent rights accrued on the reporting person's restricted stock units or market stock units, which become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units or market stock units to which they relate and may only be settled in NRG common stock. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of NRG common stock.

2. Includes 16,256 dividend equivalent rights.

/s/ Brian Curci, under Power of Attorney ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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