FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b)

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Wilder John C Jr						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [ NRG ]								. Relationshi Check all app X Direc	oorting Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner				
	UESCAPE ENERGY PARTNERS LLC					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2018								Offic below	title	tle Other below		specify	
200 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 1900  (Street)  DALLAS TX 75201					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(St	ate) (.	Zip)		-									Pers	on				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Disposed Of 5)			Acquired (A) or f (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(1115		i. <del>4</del> )
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Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share														9,007,214		]	I See Foo		tnotes <sup>(3)(4)</sup>
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)				tion Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			and it of ites ying ive y (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Number of Shares								

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents dividend equivalent rights accrued on the Reporting Person's deferred stock units, which become exercisable proportionately with the deferred 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 105 dividend equivalent rights.
- 3. Represents shares of common stock, \$0.01 par value (the "Common Stock") of NRG Energy, Inc., directly beneficially owned by BEP Special Situations 2 LLC. The Reporting Person may be deemed to beneficially own such shares as he is the manager of Bluescape Resources GP Holdings LLC, which is acting as the manager of Bluescape Energy Partners III GP LLC, which is acting as the general partner of Bluescape Energy Recapitalization and Restructuring Fund III LP ("Main Fund"), and Main Fund is acting as a managing member of BEP Special Situations 2 LLC.
- 4. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership in such Common Stock except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of **Attorney** 

11/05/2018

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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