# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

## FORM 8-K

## **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 19, 2016

## NRG ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

001-15891

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

41-1724239 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**804 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540** (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(609) 524-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

## Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 19, 2016, NRG Energy, Inc. issued a press release announcing its proposed offering of up to \$1,000 million in aggregate principal amount of senior notes due 2027. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d)	Exhibits		
Exhibit No. 99.1		Document   Press Release, dated July 19, 2016.	
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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

## NRG Energy, Inc.

By: /s/ Brian Curci

Brain Curci Deputy General Counsel & Corporate Secretary

July 19, 2016

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Document

Exhibit No.

99.1 Press Release, dated July 19, 2016.



NEWS RELEASE

### NRG Energy, Inc. Announces Proposed Offering of Senior Notes

PRINCETON, NJ — July 19, 2016 — NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) intends to commence an offering of \$1,000 million in aggregate principal amount of senior notes due 2027 (the "New Notes"). The New Notes will be senior unsecured obligations of NRG and will be guaranteed by certain of its subsidiaries.

NRG intends to use the net proceeds from the offering, together with cash on hand, to redeem all of its outstanding 8.25% senior notes due 2020 (the "2020 Notes") and a portion of its outstanding 7.875% senior notes due 2021 (the "2021 Notes") in accordance with their terms and to pay fees and expenses related to the offering of the New Notes and incurred in connection with the redemption of the 2020 Notes and the 2021 Notes.

The New Notes and related guarantees are being offered only to qualified institutional buyers in reliance on Rule 144A under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") or, outside the United States, to persons other than "U.S. persons" in compliance with Regulation S under the Securities Act. The notes and related guarantees have not been registered under the Securities Act or the securities laws of any other jurisdiction and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements. This notice is issued pursuant to Rule 135c of the Securities Act, and does not constitute an offer to sell the notes, nor a solicitation for an offer to purchase the notes.

#### About NRG

NRG is the leading integrated power company in the U.S., built on the strength of the nation's largest and most diverse competitive electric generation portfolio and leading retail electricity platform. A Fortune 200 company, NRG creates value through best in class operations, reliable and efficient electric generation, and a retail platform serving residential and commercial businesses. Working with electricity customers, large and small, we continually innovate, embrace and implement sustainable solutions for producing and managing energy. We aim to be pioneers in developing smarter energy choices and delivering exceptional service as our retail electricity providers serve almost 3 million residential and commercial customers throughout the country.

#### **Forward-Looking Statements**

This communication contains forward-looking statements that may state NRG's or its management's intentions, beliefs, expectations or predictions for the future. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, 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, risks and uncertainties related to the capital markets generally and whether

NRG will offer the New Notes or consummate the offering, the anticipated terms of the New Notes and the anticipated use of proceeds.

The foregoing review of factors that could cause NRG's actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the forward-looking statements included herein 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 SEC at www.sec.gov.

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