

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 14A

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NRG Energy, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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**Important Notice Regarding the Availability of Proxy Materials for the
Stockholder Meeting to Be Held on April 27, 2017.**

NRG ENERGY, INC.

Meeting Information

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting
For holders as of: March 13, 2017
Date: April 27, 2017 **Time:** 9:00 AM EDT
Location: Hyatt Regency Princeton
102 Carnegie Center
Princeton, NJ 08540

NRG ENERGY, INC.
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You are receiving this communication because you hold shares in the company named above.

This is not a ballot. You cannot use this notice to vote these shares. This communication presents only an overview of the more complete proxy materials that are available to you on the Internet. You may view the proxy materials online at www.proxyvote.com or easily request a paper copy (see reverse side).

We encourage you to access and review all of the important information contained in the proxy materials before voting.

See the reverse side of this notice to obtain proxy materials and voting instructions.

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Voting Items

The Board of Directors recommends a vote **FOR** the nominees listed under Proposal 1, **FOR** Proposals 2, 3, 4 and 6 and **1 YEAR** for Proposal 5.

1. Election of Directors

Nominees:

- 1a. E. Spencer Abraham
- 1b. Kirbyjon H. Caldwell
- 1c. Lawrence S. Cohen
- 1d. Terry G. Dallas
- 1e. Mauricio Gutierrez
- 1f. William E. Hantke
- 1g. Paul W. Hobby
- 1h. Anne C. Schaumburg
- 1i. Evan J. Silverstein
- 1j. Barry T. Smitherman
- 1k. Thomas H. Wiedemeyer
- 1l. C. John Wilder
- 1m. Walter R. Young

- 2. To adopt the NRG Energy, Inc. Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- 3. To adopt the NRG Energy, Inc. Amended and Restated Employee Stock Purchase Plan
- 4. To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.
- 5. To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the frequency of the non-binding advisory vote on executive compensation.
- 6. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2017.

The Board of Directors recommends you vote AGAINST Proposal 7:

- 7. To vote on a stockholder proposal regarding disclosure of political expenditures, if properly presented at the meeting.

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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