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NRG Energy, Inc. to Present First Quarter 2012 Earnings on May 3, 2012

Princeton, NJ; April 19, 2012 – NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) plans to present the Company's First Quarter 2012 financial results to the financial community in a conference call and webcast to be held Thursday, May 3 at 9:00am Eastern.

Investors, the news media and others may access the live webcast of the conference call and presentation materials by logging on to NRG's website at <http://www.nrgenergy.com> and clicking on "Investors." The webcast will be archived on the site for those unable to listen in real time.

About NRG

NRG is at the forefront of changing how people think about and use energy. A Fortune 500 company, NRG is a pioneer in developing cleaner and smarter energy choices for our customers: whether as one of the largest solar power developers in the country, or by building the first privately funded electric vehicle charging infrastructure or by giving customers the latest smart energy solutions to better manage their energy use. Our power generating facilities can support over 20 million homes and our retail electricity providers—Reliant, Green Mountain Energy Company and Energy Plus—serve more than two million customers. More information is available at nrgenergy.com.

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