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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and A DEHNE TANU	ddress of Repo	orting Person <sup>*</sup>	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) NRG ENERGY	NRG ENERGY, INC., 211 CARNEG		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2015	X	ck all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) SVP and Chief Ac	10% Owner Other (specify below) dmin Officer		
(Street) PRINCETON (City)	NJ (State)	08540 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				

	Table I -	Non-Derivative Se	curities	Acqu	uired, Disp	ose	d of, or E	Beneficially Own	ned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transac Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securiti (A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	oose	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/02/2015		М		<b>762</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 23.64	38,599	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/02/2015		A		10,800 <sup>(2)</sup>	A	<b>\$ (</b> 3)	49,399	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2015		М		17,709	A	(4)	67,108	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2015		F		6,307	D	(5)	60,801	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/03/2015		F		2,459	D	(6)	58,434 <sup>(7)</sup>	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		of Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Non- Qualified Stock Options	\$ 23.64	01/02/2015		м <sup>(1)</sup>			9,000	01/02/2012	01/02/2015	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	9,000	<b>\$</b> 0	0	D	
Market Stock Units	(8)	01/02/2015		A		19,894		01/02/2018	01/02/2018	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	39,788 (9)	\$0	19,894	D	
Market Stock Units	(4)	01/03/2015		м			11,500	01/02/2015	01/02/2015	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	23,000	\$0	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The acquisition of 762 shares of common stock reflects the net exercise of the Non-Qualified Stock Options with the remaining shares withheld by the Issuer to cover the exercise price and taxes associated with the automatic exercise.

2. Represents Restricted Stock Units issued to the Reporting Person under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long-Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP").

3. Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share. The Reporting Person will receive from NRG one such share of Common Stock for each RSU on January 2, 2018.

4. The Reporting Person was issued 11,500 Market Stock Units by NRG under the LTIP on January 2, 2012 that vested on January 2, 2015. On the vesting date the Reporting Person was entitled to receive a maximum of 23,000 shares of Common Stock if the company achieved 100% increase in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Maximum"), 11,500 shares of Common Stock if there is no change in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Target"), or 5,750 shares of Common Stock if there is a 50% decrease in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Threshold"). The Reporting Person would not have received any shares of Common Stock if total shareholder return had decreased by more than 50% since the grant date. The number of shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person could have received is interpolated for total shareholder return falling between Threshold, Target and Maximum levels. On January 3, 2015 she vested in 17,709 shares.

5. The Reporting Person elected to satisfy her tax withholding obligation upon the exchange of common stock for MSUs having a value on the date of the exchange equal to the withholding obligation. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of 6,307 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax withholding obligation.

6. On January 3, 2012, the Reporting Person was issued 6,900 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by NRG under NRG's Long-Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share. On January 3, 2015 shares vested. The Reporting Person elected to satisfy her tax withholding obligation upon the exchange of common stock for RSUs having a value on the date of the exchange equal to the withholding obligation. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of 2,459 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax withholding obligation.

7. Includes 92 shares acquired under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the Reporting Person's last filing.

8. The Reporting Person was issued 19,894 MSUs by NRG under the LTIP on January 2, 2015. The MSUs will convert to shares of NRG Common Stock on January 2, 2018 only in the event the Company has achieved a certain level of total shareholder return. Total shareholder return will consist of the average of the closing price of NRG's Common Stock on January 2, 2018 and the nineteen preceding trading days and any dividends paid since the grant date as determined by the Compensation Committee.

9. The Reporting Person will receive a maximum of 39,788 shares of Common Stock if the Company has achieved a 100% increase in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Maximum"); 19,894 shares of Common Stock if there is no change in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Target"); or 14,920 shares of Common Stock if there is a 25% decrease in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Threshold"). The Reporting Person will not receive any shares of Common Stock if total shareholder return has decreased by more than 25% since the grant date. The number of shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person may receive is interpolated for total shareholder return falling between Threshold, Target and Maximum levels.

## <u>/s/ Tanuja M. Dehne</u> <u>01/06/2015</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Date Person

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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