#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 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 15, 2005

## NRG Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

2299303 (Commission

File Number)

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

211 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

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

41-1724239

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

08540

(Zip Code)

609-524-4500

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On July 15, 2005, NRG Energy, Inc. issued a press release announcing the extension of the exchange offer for NRG's outstanding 8% second priority senior secured notes due 2013. The exchange offer was originally scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on July 15, 2005. NRG has extended the exchange offer until 5:00 p.m., New York City time, on July 25, 2005. A copy of the press release describing the exchange offer is included as an exhibit to this Form 8-K and is hereby incorporated by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit Number Document

99.1 Press Release, dated July 15, 2005

#### 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.

July 15, 2005

NRG Energy, Inc.

By: /s/ Timothy W.J. O'Brien

Name: Timothy W.J. O'Brien Title: Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

#### Exhibit Index

# Exhibit No. Description 99.1 Press Release, dated July 15, 2005

## NEWS RELEASE

#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# NRG Energy, Inc. Extends the Exchange Offer for Its 8% Second Priority Senior Secured Notes Due 2013

**Princeton, NJ; July 15, 2005** – NRG Energy, Inc. (NYSE: NRG) announced today that it has extended its exchange offer of its 8% second priority senior secured notes due 2013, which have been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, for all outstanding 8% second priority senior secured notes due 2013 that were issued and sold by NRG in December 2003 and January 2004 in private placement offerings (the "outstanding notes").

The exchange offer, previously scheduled to expire on July 15, 2005 at 5:00 p.m., New York City time, will now expire on July 25, 2005, at 5:00 p.m., New York City Time, unless further extended by the Company.

The extension is intended to allow additional time for holders of the remaining outstanding notes to tender their outstanding notes in the exchange offer.

Copies of the exchange offer prospectus and letter of transmittal may be obtained from the Exchange Agent, Law Debenture Trust Company of New York, at 212.750.0888.

This announcement is not an offer to sell any securities or a solicitation of any offer to buy any securities. The exchange offer will be made only by means of a written prospectus.

NRG Energy, Inc. owns and operates a diverse portfolio of power-generating facilities, primarily in the Northeast, South Central and West Coast regions of the United States. Its operations include baseload, intermediate, peaking, and cogeneration facilities, thermal energy production and energy resource recovery facilities. NRG also has ownership interests in generating facilities in Australia and Germany.

This news release (and oral statements made regarding the subjects of this release) contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. The words "will," "expect" and "intention" are intended to identify forward-looking statements. The company's expectations regarding the completion and timing of successful exchange offers of new notes are only its expectations regarding these matters. Successful completion and timing of exchange offers from these offers are dependent on factors, including (without limitation) investor acceptance of the offers, the final terms and conditions of the new notes, effectiveness of any required registration statements legally required to effect the exchange offers and other similar requirements applicable to exchange offers generally.

The foregoing review of factors that could cause NRG's actual results to differ materially from those contemplated in the forwardlooking statements included in this news release should not be construed as exhaustive. For more information regarding risks and uncertainties that may affect NRG's future results, review NRG's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission at www.sec.gov.

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