

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) MARCH 29, 2000  
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NRG ENERGY, INC.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE  
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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

333-33397  
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(Commission File Number)

41-1724239  
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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1221 NICOLLET MALL, SUITE 700  
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(Address of principal executive offices)

MINNEAPOLIS, MN 55403  
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(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 612-373-5300  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS

On March 29, 2000, the Board of Directors of Northern States Power Company (NSP) approved the potential sale in a public offering by its wholly owned subsidiary, NRG Energy, Inc., of up to 18% interest in the common stock of NRG Energy. The press release announcing this approval is filed with this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1. See "Item 7. Exhibits."

Item 7. Exhibits.

The following exhibits are filed with this report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Press release issued March 29, 2000 of NRG Energy, Inc.

SIGNATURES

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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  
(Registrant)

By /s/ LEONARD A. BLUHM

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Leonard A. Bluhm  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer  
(Principal Financial Officer)

Dated: March 29, 2000

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FOR RELEASE AFTER 3:45 P.M. CST

## NRG ENERGY RECEIVES APPROVAL FROM PARENT NSP FOR STOCK ISSUE

MINNEAPOLIS (March 29, 2000) - The Board of Directors of Northern States Power Company (NYSE: NSP) today approved the potential sale in a public offering by its wholly owned subsidiary, NRG Energy, Inc. (NRG Energy), of up to 18 percent interest in the common stock of NRG Energy. It is anticipated that a registration statement with respect to the offering will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in April. The purpose of the offering will be to raise capital to fund a portion of NRG Energy's project investments and other capital requirements for 2000. No proceeds of this offering will be received by Northern States Power Company.

NRG Energy is one of the world's leading independent power producers, specializing in the development, construction, operation, maintenance and ownership of low-cost, environmentally responsible power plants. Established in 1989, NRG Energy has a high quality portfolio of projects in the United States, Europe, the Pacific Rim, and Latin America. NRG Energy is involved in over 28,000 MW of projects utilizing such diverse fuel sources as natural gas, oil, coal and coal seam methane, biomass, landfill gas, and hydro, as well as refuse derived fuel and geothermal energy.

This announcement does not constitute an offer of any of the securities of NRG Energy for sale.

Certain information included in this press release contains statements that are forward-looking. Such forward-looking information involves risks and uncertainties that could significantly affect anticipated results in the future and, accordingly, such results may differ from those expressed in any forward-looking statements made by or on behalf of NRG Energy. For more information regarding these risks and uncertainties, review NRG Energy's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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