FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name ar	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]										elationshi eck all app	olicable)	ing Pers	Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 804 CARNEGIE CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/01/2023										er (give title v)		Other (s	specify
						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
(Street) PRINCETON NJ 08540															X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication																		
			Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.																
		Table	l - No	n-Deriva	tive S	ecui	rities	Acq	uired,	Dis	posed of	, or	Ben	eficia	lly Owr	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day						Exec if any	Deemed cution Date, ny nth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securit Disposed and 5)						5. Amo Securi Benefi Owned Follow	cially d	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D	A) or D)	Price		ted action(s) 3 and 4)			
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 06/01/2						2023			A		5,834(1)	A	\$0 ⁽²⁾	77,136		I	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)	ative Conversion Date Execution Date, if any			4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D	vative irities uired or osed) r. 3, 4	s I		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and		D S (I	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: y Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.		Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code V		(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Num of	.					

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents 5,834 Deferred Stock Units issued to the Reporting Person under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- 2. Each Deferred Stock Unit is equivalent in value to one share of NRG Energy, Inc.'s Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share. The Reporting Person will receive from NRG Energy, Inc. one such share of Common Stock for each Deferred Stock Unit he owns upon termination of his service on NRG Energy, Inc.'s Board of Directors.
- 3. Includes 8,437 dividend equivalent rights.

<u>Christine Zoino, by Power of Attorney</u>

06/05/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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