# 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): January 22, 2017

## NRG ENERGY, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**DELAWARE** (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

**001-15891** (Commission File Number)

41-1724239 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

**804 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540** (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(609) 524-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

eck 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 visions (see General Instruction A.2. below):
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

The Board of Directors of NRG Energy, Inc. (the "Company") has approved an amendment to the Company's Third Amended and Restated By-laws (the "By-laws") to provide for an extension of the date by which a stockholder must submit a director nomination in connection with the Company's 2017 annual meeting to the later of (i) the latest date as otherwise determined in accordance with the By-laws and (ii) February 17, 2017. The foregoing description of the amendment to the By-laws is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the amended By-laws, a copy of which is filed as Exhibit 3.1 hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.

3.1 Document Description

Amendment to Section 11(A)(1) of the Third Amended and Restated By-laws of NRG Energy, Inc.

#### SIGNATURE

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.

Date: January 22, 2017 NRG ENERGY, INC.

By:

/s/ Brian Curci Brian Curci Corporate Secretary

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#### Section 11

#### (A) Annual Meetings.

At an annual meeting of the stockholders, only such nominations of persons for election to the Board shall be considered and such business shall be conducted as shall have been properly brought before the meeting. To be properly brought before an annual meeting, nominations and other business must be (a) specified in the notice of meeting (or any supplement thereto) given by or at the direction of the Board, (b) brought before the meeting by or at the direction of the Board or (c) otherwise properly brought before the meeting by a stockholder who (x)(i) is a stockholder of record of the Corporation (and, with respect to any beneficial owner, if different, on whose behalf such business is proposed or such nomination or nominations are made, only if such beneficial owner is the beneficial owner of shares of the Corporation) both at the time the notice provided for in paragraph (A) of this Section 11 is delivered to the secretary of the Corporation and on the record date for the determination of stockholders entitled to vote at the annual meeting of stockholders, (ii) is entitled to vote at the meeting, and (iii) complies with the notice procedures set forth in paragraph (A) of this Section 11 or (y)(i) qualifies as an Eligible Holder (as defined in Section 15(C) of this ARTICLE II) and (ii) complies with the procedures set forth in such Section 15. Stockholders seeking to nominate persons for election to the Board must comply with this Section 11 or Section 15 of this ARTICLE II, as applicable, and this Section 11 shall not be applicable to nominations except as expressly provided in this Section 11. For nominations (other than nominations made pursuant to Section 15 of this ARTICLE II) or other business to be properly brought before an annual meeting by a stockholder, the stockholder must have given timely notice thereof in writing and in proper form to the secretary of the Corporation. To be timely, a stockholder's notice relating to an annual meeting (other than a Nomination Notice, which must be delivered to the Corporation pursuant to Section 15 of this ARTICLE II) must be delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation, not later than the close of business on the ninetieth (90th) day nor earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting (provided, however, that in the event that the date of the annual meeting is more than thirty (30) days before or more than seventy (70) days after such anniversary date, notice by the stockholder (other than a Nomination Notice, which must be delivered to the Corporation pursuant to Section 15 of this ARTICLE II) must be so delivered not earlier than the close of business on the one hundred twentieth (120th) day prior to such annual meeting and not later than the close of business on the later of the ninetieth (90th) day prior to such annual meeting or the tenth (10th) day following the day on which public announcement of the date of such meeting is first made by the Corporation). In no event shall the public announcement of an adjournment or postponement of an annual meeting commence a new time period (or extend any time period) for the giving of a stockholder's notice as described above. Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph to the contrary, (i) solely for purposes of the annual meeting to occur in 2017, a stockholder's notice relating to such annual meeting (other than a Nomination Notice, which must be delivered to the Corporation pursuant to Section 15 of this ARTICLE II) shall be timely if it is delivered to or mailed and received at the principal executive offices of the Corporation no later than the later of (x) the latest date as determined in accordance with the second preceding sentence and (y) February 17, 2017, and (ii) in the event that the number of directors to be elected to the Board at an annual meeting is increased and there is no public announcement by the Corporation naming the nominees for the additional directorships at least one hundred (100) days prior to the first anniversary of the preceding year's annual meeting, a stockholder's notice required by paragraph (A) of this Section 11 shall also be considered timely, but only with respect to nominees for the additional directorships, if it shall be delivered to the secretary at the principal executive offices of the Corporation not later than the close of business on the tenth (10th) day following the day on which such public announcement is first made by the Corporation.