

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(AMENDMENT NO. 4)

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$0.01 PER SHARE  
(Title of Class of Securities)

629377508  
(CUSIP Number)

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PARTNERS L.P.  
MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PARTNERS (BERMUDA) L.P.  
MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL ADVISERS LLC  
MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC  
MATLINPATTERSON ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC  
MATLINPATTERSON LLC  
MARK R. PATTERSON  
DAVID J. MATLIN  
(Name of Persons Filing)

ROBERT WEISS  
MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL ADVISERS LLC  
520 MADISON AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10022  
TELEPHONE: (212) 651-9525  
(Name, Address and Telephone Number of  
Person Authorized to Receive Notices  
and Communications)

March 22, 2005  
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of  
this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(b)(3) or (4), check the following box .

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PARTNERS L.P.  
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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a)

(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E):

[\_]

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7. SOLE VOTING POWER:	-0-
	8. SHARED VOTING POWER:	-0-
	9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	-0-
	10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:	-0-

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

[\_]

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: PN

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES PARTNERS (BERMUDA) L.P.

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a) [\_]  
(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E):

[\_]

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: BERMUDA

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH	7. SOLE VOTING POWER:	-0-
	8. SHARED VOTING POWER:	-0-
	9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	-0-

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10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

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11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-

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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%

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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: PN  
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL ADVISERS LLC  
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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a)   
(b)

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3. SEC USE ONLY  
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4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC  
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5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO  
ITEMS 2 (D) OR 2 (E):

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6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE  
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NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7. SOLE VOTING POWER: -0-

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8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-

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9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

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10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

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11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-

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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%

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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: IA  
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

DAVID J. MATLIN

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a) [ ]  
(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E):

[ ]

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE

7. SOLE VOTING POWER: -0-

NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: IN

CUSIP No. 629377508

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MARK R. PATTERSON

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a) [ ]  
(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E):

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6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE

7. SOLE VOTING POWER: 11,294

NUMBER OF SHARES

BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

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8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-  
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9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 11,294  
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10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-  
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11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:  
11,294  
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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:   
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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0.01%  
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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: IN  
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:  
MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC  
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2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP: (a)   
(b)   
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3. SEC USE ONLY  
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4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC  
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5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO  
ITEMS 2(D) OR 2(E):   
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6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE  
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7. SOLE VOTING POWER: -0-  
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8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-  
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9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-  
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10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-  
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NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

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11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:  
-0-  
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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:   
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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%  
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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: HC  
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MATLINPATTERSON ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a) [ ]  
(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (D) OR 2 (E):

[ ]

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE

NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7. SOLE VOTING POWER: -0-

8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: HC

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON:

MATLINPATTERSON LLC

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP:

(a) [ ]  
(b) [X]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS: AF, WC

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2 (D) OR 2 (E):

[ ]

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6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION: DELAWARE  
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NUMBER OF SHARES  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
WITH

7. SOLE VOTING POWER: -0-  
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8. SHARED VOTING POWER: -0-  
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9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-  
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10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: -0-  
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11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:

-0-  
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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:

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13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11): 0%  
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14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: HC  
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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 4 ("AMENDMENT NO. 4") to Schedule 13D is filed by the undersigned to amend and supplement the statement on Schedule 13D originally filed on December 15, 2003 (the "INITIAL STATEMENT") as amended by Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed on January 5, 2004 ("AMENDMENT NO. 1") as amended by Amendment No. 2 to Schedule 13D filed on December 14, 2004 ("AMENDMENT NO. 2,") as amended by Amendment No. 3 to Schedule 13D filed on December 23, 2004 ("AMENDMENT NO. 3" and together with Amendment No. 2, Amendment No. 1, the Initial Statement and this Amendment No. 4, the "STATEMENT") for the purpose of disclosing the sale of securities by the certain of the Reporting Persons. Unless otherwise indicated, all capitalized terms shall have the same meaning as provided in the Statement.

ITEM 1. SECURITY AND ISSUER.

No Change.

ITEM 2. IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND.

No Change.

ITEM 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION.

No Change.

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION.

No Change.

ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER.

Item 5 of Amendment No. 3 is hereby amended and supplemented by deleting it in its entirety and replacing it with the following:

(a) On March 22, 2005, Matlin Partners (Delaware) and Matlin Partners (Bermuda) sold 6,307,264 and 2,197,780 shares of Common Stock, respectively, in the open market at a price of \$36.00 per share. This sale did not include 11,294 shares of Common Stock received by Mark R. Patterson upon his

resignation from the Board of Directors of the Company on December 21, 2004. Mark R. Patterson has direct beneficial ownership of these shares of Common Stock. Following this transaction, except as described in the immediately preceding two sentences, none of the Reporting Persons beneficially owns any Common Stock, and accordingly, this Amendment No. 4 is the final amendment to the Schedule 13D and is an exit filing.

(b) Mark R. Patterson has the sole power to vote and sole dispositive power of 11,294 shares of Common Stock, which represents less than 5% of the outstanding Common Stock.

ITEM 6. CONTRACTS, ARRANGEMENTS, UNDERSTANDINGS OR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMON STOCK OF THE ISSUER.

No Change.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS.

No Change.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: March 24, 2005

MATLINPATTERSON LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson  
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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Member

MATLINPATTERSON ASSET MANAGEMENT LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson  
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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Chairman

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL ADVISERS LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson  
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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Chairman

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL PARTNERS LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson  
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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Chairman



MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL  
OPPORTUNITIES PARTNERS L.P.

By: MatlinPatterson Global  
Partners LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson

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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Director

MATLINPATTERSON GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES  
PARTNERS (BERMUDA) L.P.

By: MatlinPatterson Global  
Partners LLC

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson

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Name: Mark R. Patterson  
Title: Director

DAVID J. MATLIN

By: /s/ David J. Matlin

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David J. Matlin

MARK R. PATTERSON

By: /s/ Mark R. Patterson

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Name: Mark R. Patterson