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 and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Gutierrez Mauricio</u>					NRO	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [ NRG ]										all app		ng Pers	10% C	)wner
(Last)	(Fi	,	t) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/31/2011									Officer (give title below)  Exec VP & Chief		ef Ope	below)	
211 CARNEGIE CENTER						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applica					Applicable
(Street) PRINCE			8540 Zip)												X		filed by One filed by Mor on		-	
. ,,	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/					/Year)	on 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3.						3, 4 Sec Ben Owr			Form: (D) or Indire		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount		A) or D)	Price				(Instr.	4)	(Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 05/31/2				011			F		1,517	1)	D	\$24.76		46,623			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, ity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Code (li	ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Date Expiration  Date Expiration  Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration  Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4)  Amoun			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ow Fo Dir or (I) 4)	nership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

## Explanation of Responses:

1. On May 31, 2008, Mr. Gutierrez was issued 4,534 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan (the "LTIP"). Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$0.01. On May 31, 2011, the RSUs vested. Pursuant to the LTIP, Mr. Gutierrez elected to satisfy his tax witholding obligation upon the exchange of common stock for RSUs by surrendering a number of shares of common stock having a value on the date of the exchange equal to the tax witholding obligation. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of 1,517 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax witholding obligation.

/s/ Brian Curci, under Power of Attorney 06/01/2011

\*\* 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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