

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hill David Russell

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
NRG ENERGY, INC., 211  
CARNEGIE CENTER  
(Street)

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/02/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec Vice Pres, Gen Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	01/02/2016		F		5,722	D	(1) 46,992 (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Market Stock Units	(3)	01/02/2016		M	22,800	01/02/2016	01/02/2016	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	45,600

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hill David Russell NRG ENERGY, INC. 211 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540			Exec Vice Pres, Gen Counsel	

## Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of Attorney

01/05/2016

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) On January 2, 2013 Mr. Hill was issued 13,500 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$.01. On January 2, 2016, 13,500 shares vested. Mr. Hill elected to satisfy his tax obligation upon the exchange of common stock for RSUs having a value on the date of the exchange equal to the withholding obligation. This form is being filed to reflect the surrender of 5,722 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax withholding obligation.

(2) Reflects a reduction of 1,485 dividend equivalent rights ("DERs") that were forfeited upon the vesting of the Market Stock Units described in Table II, resulting in the reporting person holding 3,347 DERs in the aggregate. Dividend equivalent rights accrue on the reporting person's restricted stock units or market stock units, which become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units or market stock units to which they relate and may only be settled in NRG common stock. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of NRG common stock. Includes 164 shares acquired under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan since the Reporting Person's last filing.

(3) Mr. Hill was issued 22,800 Market Stock Units ("MSUs") by NRG under the LTIP on January 2, 2013 that vested on January 2, 2016. On the vesting date, he was entitled to receive a maximum of 45,600 shares of Common Stock if the Company has achieved a 100% increase

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in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Maximum"); 22,800 shares of Common Stock if there is no change in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Target"), or 11,400 shares of Common Stock if there is a 50% decrease in total shareholder return since the grant date (the "Threshold"). The number of shares of Common Stock that Mr. Hill may receive is interpolated for total shareholder return falling between Threshold, Target, and Maximum levels. On January 2, 2016, Mr. Hill did not receive any shares.

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