

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Gutierrez Mauricio

(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)  
01/04/2016

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)  
President & Chief Exec Officer

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		
Common Stock, par value, \$.01 per share	01/04/2016		A		136,845 (1)	A	(2) 306,207
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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)	01/04/2016		A	217,625	01/04/2019	01/04/2019	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	435,250 <sup>(4)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gutierrez Mauricio NRG ENERGY, INC. 211 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540	X		President & Chief Exec Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of Attorney

01/06/2016

\*\*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) Represents Restricted Stock Units issued to Reporting Person under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP").

(2) Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share. The Reporting Person will receive from NRG one such share of Common Stock for each RSU on January 4, 2019.

(3) The Reporting Person was issued 217,625 Market Stock Units ("MSUs") by NRG under the LTIP on January 4, 2016. The MSUs will convert to shares of NRG Common Stock on January 4, 2019 only in the event the Company has achieved a certain level of total shareholder return ("TSR"). TSR will consist of the average of the closing price of NRG's Common Stock on January 4, 2019 and the nineteen preceding trading days and any dividends paid since the grant date as determined by the Compensation Committee.

(4) The Reporting Person will receive a maximum of 435,250 shares of Common Stock if the Company has achieved a 100% increase in TSR since the grant date (the "Maximum"); 217,625 shares of Common Stock if there is no change in TSR since the grant date (the "Target"), or 163,219 shares of Common Stock if there is a 25% decrease in TSR since the grant date (the "Threshold"). The Reporting Person will not receive any shares of Common Stock if TSR has decreased by more than 25% since the grant date. The number of shares of Common Stock that the Reporting Person may receive is interpolated for TSR falling between Threshold, Target, and Maximum levels.

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