

Winn Steve
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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 *
 Winn Steve

(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)
 02/03/2006

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)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 \$0.01 per share ⁽¹⁾	02/03/2006		A		1,356 <u>(1)</u>	A	<u>(2)</u> 11,519
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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- (4) Stock options expire six years from the date of the grant.

Mr. Winn was issued 2,632 Performance Units by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan on February 3, 2006. Each Performance Unit will be paid out on February 3, 2009 if the average closing price of NRG Energy, Inc.'s Common Stock for the ten trading days prior to February 3, 2009 (the "Measurement Price") is equal to or greater than \$66.41 (the "Target Price"). The

- (5) payout for each Performance Unit will be equal to: (i) one share of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price equals the Target Price; (ii) a prorated amount in between one and two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is greater than the Target Price but less than \$77.67 (the "Maximum Price"); and (iii) two shares of Common Stock, if the Measurement Price is equal to or greater than the Maximum Price.

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