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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Gutierrez Mauricio

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zin)

NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

NRG ENERGY, INC., 211

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

03/03/2011

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

CARNEGIE CENTER

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Exec VP & Chief Operating Ofc 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
						Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
				(A)		Reported			
				or		Transaction(s)			
			Code V	Amount (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common									
Stock, par value \$.01 per share	03/03/2011		F	703 <u>(1)</u> D	\$ 19.43	47,991	D		

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	f 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivativ	e Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne
	Security				Acquired						Follo
					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

Gutierrez Mauricio NRG ENERGY, INC. 211 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Exec VP & Chief Operating Ofc

Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, under Power of Attorney

03/07/2011

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- 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).

On March 3, 2008, Mr. Gutierrez was issued 2,100 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 March 3, 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 703 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax witholding obligation.

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