

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
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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)  
02/08/2008

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)  
EVP, Strategy, Env and New Bus

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  | Price  |                                   |   |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 8,750   | \$ 23.975  | A 34,912                          | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 500   | \$ 38  | D 34,412                          | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 200   | \$ 38.01   | D 34,212                          | D |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------|---|-----------|--------|---|
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 100   | D | \$ 38.015 | 34,112 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 500   | D | \$ 38.02  | 33,612 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$ 38.03  | 33,312 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$ 38.05  | 33,012 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 4,000 | D | \$ 38.08  | 29,012 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 200   | D | \$ 38.15  | 28,812 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 100   | D | \$ 38.17  | 28,712 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$ 38.2   | 28,412 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$ 38.23  | 28,112 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 50    | D | \$ 38.4   | 28,062 | D |
| Common Stock, par value .01 per share | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 300   | D | \$ 38.41  | 27,762 | D |
|                                       | 02/08/2008 | <u>S(1)</u> | 1,000 | D | \$ 38.43  | 26,762 | D |

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| 02/08/2008 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 200 | D | \$ 38.44 | 26,562 | D |
| 02/08/2008 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 100 | D | \$ 38.45 | 26,462 | D |
| 02/08/2008 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 300 | D | \$ 38.46 | 26,162 | 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 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   |
| Non-Qualified Stock Options                | \$ 23.975  | 02/08/2008                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 8,750   | <sup>(2)</sup> 01/03/2012                                | Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 8,750                 |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

Winn Steve  
NRG ENERGY, INC.  
211 CARNEGIE CENTER  
PRINCETON, NJ 08540

EVP, Strategy, Env and New Bus

## Signatures

/s/Brian Curci, under Power of  
Attorney

02/12/2008

\_\_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) Transaction made pursuant to 10b5-1 plan dated November 9, 2007.
- (2) Pursuant to the Grant Agreement by and between NRG Energy, Inc. and Mr. Winn, 33 1/3% of the Stock Options vested on January 3, 2007 and 33 1/3% vested on January 3, 2008. The remaining 33 1/3% will vest on January 3, 2009.

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