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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street)

Hantke William Issuer Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title NRG ENERGY, INC., 211 06/01/2009 below) CARNEGIE CENTER

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

4. If Amendment, Date Original 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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

PRINCETON, NJ 08540

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecurities	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities nAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) Pr	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	((
Common Stock, par value .01 per share	06/01/2009		A	4,533 (1)	A (2)	15,845	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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title a	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hantke William NRG ENERGY, INC. 211 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540	X						

Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, under Power of 06/03/2009 Attorney **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 Deferred Stock Units issued to Mr. Hantke by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG Energy, Inc.'s Long Term Incentive Plan.
- Each Deferred Stock Unit is equivalent in value to one share of NRG Energy, Inc.'s Common Stock, par value \$0.01. Mr. Hantke will (2) receive from NRG Energy, Inc. one such share of Common Stock for each Deferred Stock Unit on the following schedule: (i) 25% on June 1, 2010;(ii) 25% on June 1, 2011; (iii) 25% on June 1, 2012; and (iv) 25% on June 1, 2013.

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