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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hill David Russell

(First)

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]

01/03/2018

(Check all applicable)

NRG ENERGY, INC., 804

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

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

CARNEGIE CENTER

below) Exec Vice Pres, Gen Counsel

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

per share

Stock, par value, \$.01

01/03/2018

F 4.847 D (1) $117,375 \frac{(2)}{2}$

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

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

Hill David Russell NRG ENERGY, INC. 804 CARNEGIE CENTER PRINCETON, NJ 08540

Exec Vice Pres, Gen Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Brian Curci, by Power of Attorney

01/05/2018

**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).
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On January 3, 2017 Mr. Hill was issued 27,903 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by NRG Energy, Inc. under NRG's Long Term Incentive Plan ("LTIP"). Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of NRG's Common Stock, par value \$.01. On January 3, 2018, 9,291 shares

- (1) vested. Mr. Hill elected to satisfy his tax obligation upon the exchange of common stock for RSUs having a value on the date of the exchange equal to the withholding obligation. This form reflects the surrender of 4,847 shares of common stock to satisfy the grantee's tax withholding obligation.
 - 56 DERs converted in NRG common stock in connection with the vesting of the RSUs described above. Following these transactions, the reporting person holds 1,977 DERs in the aggregate. Dividend equivalent rights accrue on the reporting person's restricted stock units or
- (2) market stock units which become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units or market stock units to which they relate and may only be settled in NRG common stock. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of NRG common stock.

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