FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549	

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	S IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Schaumburg Anne C				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NRG ENERGY, INC. [ NRG ]							ck all app	,	ng Per	rson(s) to Is					
(Last)	,	,	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2023							Office	er (give title v)		Other (s below)	specify			
804 CARNEGIE CENTER				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)									
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
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								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice		ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 05				05/01/	2023 A			614	A	1	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	93	3,889		D				
	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)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  Solution  Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  Code V (A) (D)		rative rities ired r osed )	Expiration Date Ai (Month/Day/Year) Si Ui Di			7. Titl Amou Secur Under Derive Secur 3 and	int of rities rlying ative rity (Ins	Di Si (li	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)		e O's Fo	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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## Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents dividend equivalent rights accrued on the Reporting Person's deferred stock units, which become exercisable proportionately with the deferred 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. Includes 7,414 dividend equivalent rights.

Christine Zoino, by Power of

<u>Attorney</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

05/03/2023

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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