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

**SCHEDULE 14A**

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)**

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**NRG ENERGY, INC.**

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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# Your **Vote** Counts!

**NRG ENERGY, INC.**

2022 Annual Meeting

Vote by April 27, 2022

11:59 PM ET

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
C/O OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL  
804 CARNEGIE CENTER  
PRINCETON, NJ 08540-6213



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## You invested in NRG ENERGY, INC. and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy material for the stockholder meeting to be held on April 28, 2022.**

### Get informed before you vote

View the Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to April 14, 2022. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future stockholder meetings, you may (1) visit [www.ProxyVote.com](http://www.ProxyVote.com), (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to [sendmaterial@proxyvote.com](mailto:sendmaterial@proxyvote.com). If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.



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#### Smartphone users

Point your camera here and vote without entering a control number



#### Vote Virtually at the Meeting\*

April 28, 2022  
9:00 AM ET

Virtually at:  
[www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/NRG2022](http://www.virtualshareholdermeeting.com/NRG2022)

\*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance.

## THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming stockholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of Directors <b>Nominees:</b>	
1a. E. Spencer Abraham	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1b. Antonio Carrillo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1c. Matthew Carter, Jr.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1d. Lawrence S. Coben	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1e. Heather Cox	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1f. Elisabeth B. Donohue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1g. Mauricio Gutierrez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1h. Paul W. Hobby	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1i. Alexandra Pruner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1j. Anne C. Schaumburg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
1k. Thomas H. Weidemeyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
2. To approve, on a non-binding advisory basis, the compensation of the Company's named executive officers.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For
3. To ratify the appointment of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for fiscal year 2022.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For

**NOTE:** Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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