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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **October 14, 2019**

**NRG ENERGY, INC.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**001-15891**  
(Commission File Number)

**41-1724239**  
(IRS Employer Identification  
No.)

**804 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(609) 524-4500**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:**

<u>Title of Each Class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of Exchange on Which Registered</u>
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	NRG	New York Stock Exchange

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of NRG Energy, Inc. (the “Company”) has been undergoing a Board succession and refreshment process to align Board oversight with the strategic direction of the Company.

In connection with this process, the Board has accepted the retirements of Mr. Terry Dallas, who will not stand for re-election at the 2020 annual meeting of shareholders, and Mr. William Hantke, whose retirement will be effective December 31, 2019. The retirements of Messrs. Dallas and Hantke were not the result of any disagreement with the Company or its management and the Board recognizes the exemplary service they have provided during their tenure.

In addition, the Board has identified Mr. Antonio Carrillo and Ms. Alexandra Pruner as director candidates and, following the recommendation of the Governance and Nominating Committee, has appointed such individuals to serve on the Board, effective October 15, 2019. Each new director will serve as an independent director and there is no arrangement or understanding between any new director and any other person, pursuant to which they were appointed as a director. Mr. Carrillo has been appointed to serve as a member of the Company’s Audit and Compensation Committees. Ms. Pruner has been appointed to serve as a member of the Company’s Finance and Risk Management and Governance and Nominating Committees.

The Board will consist of 12 members until the retirements of Messrs. Dallas and Hantke, at which time the Board will be reduced to 10 members.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statement and Exhibits**

(c) Exhibits:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
<a href="#">99.1</a>	<a href="#">Press release dated October 14, 2019</a>
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File – the cover page XBRL tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**NRG Energy, Inc.**  
(Registrant)

Dated: October 14, 2019

By: /s/ Christine A. Zoino  
Christine A. Zoino  
Corporate Secretary

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PRESS RELEASE

## **NRG Energy Continues Board Refreshment with Appointment of Two New Directors**

PRINCETON, NJ – October 14, 2019 -- NRG Energy (NYSE: NRG) today announced changes to its Board of Directors, including the appointment of two new independent directors: Antonio Carrillo and Alexandra Pruner, effective October 15, 2019. In addition, Bill Hantke will be retiring at the end of 2019 and Terry Dallas will not be standing for re-election at the Company's 2020 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

"The Board is pleased to welcome these two new independent directors, as we continue to refresh our makeup to further align our Board's expertise with the company's strategic direction. These appointments underscore our commitment to ongoing Board refreshment and our focus on enhancing the diversity, skills and expertise represented on the Company's Board," said Larry Coben, NRG Board Chairman.

With these new independent directors, and the retirements of Messrs. Dallas and Hantke, the Board will be set at ten (10) members.

"We would like to thank Bill and Terry for their dedicated leadership and commitment to the Board and the Company," said Coben "We are grateful for their many contributions during their 14 and 8 years of service, respectively, as directors and committee chairs, from which the Company will benefit for many years to come."

### **About the new directors:**

#### **Antonio Carrillo**

Mr. Antonio Carrillo has served as Arcosa Inc.'s President and Chief Executive Officer since November 2018 and serves as a member of its Board of Directors. From April 2018 to November 2018, Mr. Carrillo served as Senior Vice President and Group President of Construction, Energy, Marine and Components of Trinity Industries, Inc. (Trinity). From 2012 to February 2018, Mr. Carrillo served as the Chief Executive Officer of Orbia Advance Corporation (formerly known as Mexichem S.A.B. de C.V.) (Orbia), a publicly-traded global specialty chemical company. Prior to joining Orbia, Mr. Carrillo spent 16 years at Trinity where he served as Senior Vice President and Group President of Trinity's Energy Equipment Group and was responsible for Trinity's Mexico operations. Mr. Carrillo previously served as a director of Trinity from 2014 until November 2018 and a director of Dr Pepper Snapple Group, Inc. from 2015 to 2018.

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**Alexandra Pruner**

Ms. Pruner has served as a Senior Advisor of Perella Weinberg Partners, a global independent advisory firm providing strategic and financial advice and asset-management services, and its energy division, Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co., since December 2018. She previously served as Partner and Chief Financial Officer of Perella Weinberg Partners from December 2016 through November 2018. She served as Chief Financial Officer and a member of the Management Committee at Tudor, Pickering, Holt & Co. from the firm's founding in 2007 until its combination with Perella Weinberg Partners in 2016. Ms. Pruner serves on the Board of Directors and as a member of the audit committees of Plains All American Pipeline, L.P. and its general partner PAA GP Holdings LLC, and served on the Anadarko Petroleum Corporation Board until its merger with Occidental Petroleum. She is the founder and a Board member of Women's Global Leadership Conference in Energy & Technology, is an Emeritus Director of the Amegy Bank Development Board, and is the Chair of Brown University's President's Advisory Council on the Economics Department. Ms. Pruner is chair of the audit committee and member of the executive committee of the United Way of Greater Houston, on the Board of the Houston Zoo and serves on the Houston advisory Board of The Nature Conservancy, among other volunteer efforts.

**About NRG**

At NRG, we're bringing the power of energy to people and organizations by putting customers at the center of everything we do. We generate electricity and provide energy solutions and natural gas to more than 3.7 million residential, small business, and commercial and industrial customers through our diverse portfolio of retail brands. A Fortune 500 company, operating in the United States and Canada, NRG delivers innovative solutions while advocating for competitive energy markets and customer choice, and by working towards a sustainable energy future. More information is available at [www.nrg.com](http://www.nrg.com). Connect with NRG on Facebook, LinkedIn and follow us on Twitter @nrgenergy, @nrginsight.

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