FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] Plotkin Chad | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NRG Yield, Inc.</u> [NYLD] | | | | | | | | | | | | licable) | eporting Person(s) to Issuer e) 10% Owner | | |
|--|-------|----------|--|--|---|--|---|-----|--|-------|--------------------|--|-----------------|-------|--|--|---|---|---|--|
| (Last) NRG YIE | , | rst) (I | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/04/2017 | | | | | | | | | | | | ficer (give title low) SVP and (| | Other (specify below) CFO | | | |
| 804 CARNEGIE CENTER | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | X | , | | | | son |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day | | | | | y/Year) | Execution Date, | | | Transaction Dispose Code (Instr. and 5) | | | ities Acquired (d Of (D) (Instr. 3 | | | 3,4 Secur | | rities F ficially (E ed Ir | | ownership m: Direct or irect (I) tr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | u. 4) | (1130.4) |
| Class C Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share 01/04/2 | | | | | 2017 | 017 | | F | | 3,920 |) | D | (1) | | 20,829 ⁽²⁾ | | | 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. 3. Transactio Date (Month/Day/Y Derivative Security | | | 3A. Deemed Execution Date,) if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr 3 and 4) | | | 8. Pri of Deriv Secu (Instr | rative rity 5.5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | (| 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisab | | Expiration Date | Title | or Nur of | nber | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. On November 7, 2016, Mr. Plotkin was issued 16,903 Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") by NRG Yield, Inc. under NRG Yield, Inc.'s Equity Incentive Plan that vest as follows: (1) 7,099 shares on January 4, 2017, (2) 5,578 shares on January 4, 2018, and (3) 4,226 shares on January 4, 2019. Each RSU is equivalent in value to one share of Class C Common Stock of NRG Yield, Inc., par value \$.01 per share. On January 4, 2017, 7,099 shares vested. Mr. Plotkin 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 is being filed to reflect the surender of 3,920 shares of Class C Common Stock to satisfy the grantee's tax withholding obligation.

2. In connection with the vesting of the RSUs described above, 117 dividend equivalent rights converted to Class C Common Stock, resulting in the reporting person holding 163 dividend equivalent rights that may only be settled in Class C Common Stock. Dividend equivalent rights accrue on the reporting person's restricted stock units, which become exercisable proportionately with the restricted stock units to which they relate and may only be settled in NRG Yield, Inc. Class C Common Stock. Each dividend equivalent right is the economic equivalent of one share of NRG Yield, Inc. Class C Common Stock.

| /s/ Brian Curci, by Power of | 01/06/2017 | | | | |
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| Attorney | 01/06/2017 | | | | |
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** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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