NRG ENERGY, INC.

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person *

À TPG ADVISORS III INC

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

08/09/2006

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NRG ENERGY, INC. [NRG]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O TEXAS PACIFIC GROUP, 301 COMMERCE STREET, SUITE 3300

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director _X__ 10% Owner Officer __X__ Other

(give title below) (specify below) See remarks

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

FORT WORTH. TXÂ 76102

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

3. Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Through funds managed by the

Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share

3,145,561

Ι Reporting Person; see footnotes

(1)(2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially

owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of **Expiration Date**

Securities Underlying

Conversion

5. Ownership 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

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(Month/Day/Year)		Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TPG ADVISORS III INC C/O TEXAS PACIFIC GROUP 301 COMMERCE STREET, SUITE 3300 FORT WORTH, TXÂ 76102

Â X Â See remarks

Signatures

/s/ David A. Spuria, Vice President, on behalf of TPG Advisors III, Inc.

08/11/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- TPG Advisors III, Inc. (the "Reporting Person") is the general partner of TPG GenPar III, L.P., which in turn is the general partner of TPG III AIV 1, L.P., TPG III AIV 2, L.P. and TPG III AIV 3, L.P. (together, the "TPG Funds"). Collectively, the TPG Funds directly hold 3,145,561 shares of NRG Energy, Inc.'s common stock (the "Common Stock").
 - The Reporting Person is deemed to be the beneficial owner of the Common Stock beneficially owned by the TPG Funds only to the extent of the greater of its direct or indirect interest in the profits or capital accounts of such TPG Funds. Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) under the Securities and Exchange Act (the "Exchange Act"), this filing shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is,
- (2) for purposes of Section 16 of the Exchange Act or otherwise, the beneficial owner of any securities beneficially owned by the TPG Funds in excess of such amount. The shareholders of the Reporting Person are David Bonderman, James G. Coulter and William S. Price, III (collectively, the "Shareholders"). Each Shareholder disclaims beneficial ownership of any of the Common Stock reported herein.



Remarks:

As described in Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13D filed on August 11, 2006 with respect to th

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