

NRG ENERGY, INC.  
Form 8-K  
September 21, 2012

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

WASHINGTON, DC 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) **September 21, 2012**

**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.)

**211 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**08540**  
(Zip Code)

**609-524-4500**

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events**

On September 21, 2012, NRG Energy, Inc. ( NRG ) and GenOn Energy, Inc. ( GenOn ) jointly announced that they have received notice from the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission granting early termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended, with respect to the previously announced merger of NRG and GenOn.

A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report on Form 8-K and is hereby incorporated by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

| <b>Exhibit<br/>Number</b> |   | <b>Document</b> |
|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| 99.1                      | Press Release, dated September 21, 2012 |                 |

**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)

By:

*/s/ David R. Hill*  
David R. Hill  
Executive Vice President  
and General Counsel

Dated: September 21, 2012

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