



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

DIVISION OF  
CORPORATION FINANCE

Mail Stop 3561

August 15, 2018

NRG Energy, Inc.  
Kirkland B. Andrews  
Chief Financial Officer  
804 Carnegie Center  
Princeton, New Jersey 08540

**Re: NRG Energy, Inc.**  
**Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2017**  
**Filed March 1, 2018**  
**File No. 1-15891**

Dear Mr. Andrews:

We have completed our review of your filing. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jennifer Thompson

Jennifer Thompson  
Accounting Branch Chief  
Office of Consumer Products