2022 YEAR IN REVIEW

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The mission of SASB, now known as The International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) Foundation, is to develop sustainability metrics for public corporations to disclose material, decision-useful information to investors. NRG supports work that contributes directly to providing comparable and consistent data. The nature of our business directs us to consult the SASB Standards for *Infrastructure Sector – Electric Utilities & Power Generators* as defined by the Sustainable Industry Classification System (SICS). Below is a table which contains those topics we have identified as key issues and against which we are able to report as a publicly-traded company. Topics that are not applicable to NRG are denoted as such. Activity metrics that may assist in the accurate evaluation and comparability of disclosure may be found in NRG's 2022 Form 10-K and in NRG's 2022 Year-in-Review Report, which now includes NRG's sustainability reporting. Quantitative data may be followed by narrative information that contextualizes the data table and is also responsive to any qualitative metrics.

Topic		Accounting Metric	SASB Code	
Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions & Energy Resource Planning	(1) Gross Global Scope 1 Emissions (metric tons of CO₂e)	*Includes 37.5% ownership of a 605 MW capacity coal plant in Australia. Reported greenhouse gas metrics include emission and consumption data from all facilities located in the United States that were owned, controlled, or for which the Company had an equity interest as of December 31, 2022. The Company employs a hybrid methodology of operational and financial control, as defined in the World Resources Institute / World Business Council for Sustainable Development Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard, Revised Edition, 2004 (GHG Protocol), to determine facilities within the organizational boundary. Emissions and consumption data from jointly-owned electric generating facilities are allocated based on the Company's equity share of ownership at the plant level. Note that tolling agreements are currently excluded from the organizational boundary.	IF-EU-110a.1	
	(2) Percentage Covered under Emissions-Limiting Regulations, and	0.6%		
	(3) Percentage Covered under Emissions-Reporting Regulations	99.4%		
	Clarification of percentage covered under emissions-limiting and emissions-reporting regulations: Nearly all (>99%) of NRG's emission sources are subject to mandatory U.S. federal (Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)) greenhouse gas reporting regulations. In addition, some of these emission sources (0.6% specified under IF-EU-110a.1(2) above) also report to regional and state CO ₂ e reporting programs (RGGI, AB32) that are disclosed annually as part of NRG's financial reporting data.			

Торіс			Accounting Metric				
	Discussion of accounting, estimations and uncertainty for Scope 1 Emissions: Scope 1 includes only direct GHG emissions associated with fuel combustion in boilers, turbines, and engines used to produce electric power. Scope 1 GHG emissions were determined by using methods specified within Title 40, Chapter I, Subchapter C, Part 98, Subparts A (Jan. 1, 2018 update), C (Sep. 21, 2018 update), and D (Jan. 3, 2017 update). The determination of the equity share of GHG emissions is consistent with equity share methodologies for equity share accounting for greenhouse gas emissions as described in the GHG Protocol. GHG emissions from combustion of fossil fuels used for other activities or equipment, such as auxiliary boilers, starter engines, and company fleet vehicles are not included at this time as the associated emissions are immaterial. Scope 1 emissions do not include emissions from fugitive sources such as hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) releases from use of refrigeration and/or air conditioning equipment, sulfur hexafluoride (SF ₆) from electrical equipment, and methane releases from natural gas transport as they are not material sources of greenhouse gases for the Company.						
Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions	GHG emissions associated with power deliveries			calculation of this metric is under consideration.	IF-EU-110a.2		
& Energy Resource Planning	Description of Long-term and Short-term Strategy or Plan to Manage Scope 1 Emissions, Emission-Reduction Targets, and an Analysis of Performance v. Those Targets			NRG's goal is to reduce its U.S. Scope 1, 2, and 3 (business travel) CO ₂ e emissions 50% by 2025, from the current 2014 baseline, and achieve net-zero by 2050. From 2014-2022 our emissions decreased 42%. Disclosure of our strategy to manage Scope 1 emissions is reported annually through the CDP Climate Change questionnaire as well as in NRG's 2020 Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) Report, NRG's Sustainability Linked Bond Framework, and in NRG's 2022 Year-in-Review report.			
	Number of customers served in markets subject to renewable portfolio standards (RPS) and percentage fulfillment of RPS target by market			The calculation of this metric is under consideration.			
	Air emissions source	Air emissions (metric tons)		Percentage from production facilities within urbanized areas			
	NO _x	17,812		30%			
	SO _x *	40,993		76%			
	PM ₁₀ **	3,185		69%			
	Pb***	(0.287	44%			
Air Quality	Hg***	0.066		24%			
	Discussion of accounting, estimations, and uncertainty for Air Emissions: Data collection varies based on the generation facility and may include engineering calculations or continuous emissions monitoring systems (CEMS). * NRG only has SO ₂ emissions so SO _X emissions are equivalent to SO ₂ emissions. ** The requirement to report PM ₁₀ emissions in annual emissions inventories or emissions statements varies across states. In addition, the earliest reporting deadline for a reporting year is July 1st of the following year. For sites in NRG's fleet that have not yet or are not required to report PM ₁₀ emissions at the time of submittal to SASB, NRG has used the U.S. EPA's AP-42 emission factors to estimate emissions. *** In the case of lead and mercury emissions, volumes are estimated for some facilities due to incomplete data at time of publication.						

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	2,179,643							
		2022 NRG GLO						
	(1) Total Water Withdrawn	Water Source	Total (Thousands of Cubic Meters)	Percent				
	(thousands of cubic meters)	Fresh Water	1,133,432	52%				
		Non-Fresh Water	516,389	24%				
		Ocean	529,822	24%				
		Total	2,179,643	100%				
	(2) Total Water Consumed (thousands of cubic meters)	2						
		Baseline Water Stress High (40- 80%) or Extremely High (>80%)	Withdrawal from areas with High or Extremely High Baseline Water Stress	Consumption from areas with High or Extremely High Baseline Water Stress				
		Percent of Total Water	<1%	<1%	IF-EU-140a.			
		Percent that is Non- Fresh*	0%	0%				
	Percentage of Each in Regions with High or Extremely High Baseline Water Stress	NRG uses the WRI Aq basin risks in combina *Non-Fresh water has						
Water Management		mg/l and is not used for Type of Generating Facility in Baseline Water Stress Area						
		Fossil Fuel (Natural Gas, Coal, Oil)						
		Renewable (Solar and Wind)		1				
		Nuclear		0				
		Thermal (District Heating and Cooling)		0				
		Total		1				
	Number of Incidents of Non-Compliance with Water-Quality and/ or Quantity Permits, Standards, and Regulations		IF-EU-140a.					
	Discussion of Water Management Risks NRG's definition of substantive risk from water is the possibility that an event will occur and significantly affect the achievement of NRG's business goals. Risk identification and assessment process applies to both direct operations and supply chain. NRG uses measures, metrics, and indicators for water risk assessment leveraging management and professional judgment from the following perspectives:							
	Financial impact Corporate earnings Capital expenditure on tector water consumption and w Plant operation Operation disruption due to lincrease in water cost	asins impact supply and/or water	IF-EU-140a.					

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Water Management	Discussion of strategies and practices to mitigate risks Water risk is monitored by the risk owners (individual plant operators) and reported to management upon material changes with a threshold of 20% in water consumption and withdrawal levels. If determined that a water supply risk exists that could impact projected generation levels at any plant within a two-year time frame, risk mitigation efforts are identified and economically evaluated for implementation. NRG's Plant Operations team reviews modelling scenarios generated. Plant water usage is reviewed annually. Analysis is reviewed by the senior leaders of NRG's Operations, Engineering, and Commercial Operations teams. The WRI Aqueduct tool is used annually to develop a high-level view of basin-level risk that informs strategic decision-making and the setting of goals and targets. This tool was chosen because of its open-source nature and ease of use. Each generating facility is unique, and the water risk approach identifies and addresses risks for each covering: Availability Quality Regulatory Stakeholders Financial Operational Environmental Supply chain impacts Risk response decisions are primarily made and executed by managing plant operations to maintain compliance with all regulations. NRG reports supply chain water risk annually through the CDP Water Security Questionnaire.						IF-EU-140a.3	
	Amount of Coal Combustion Residuals Generated (metric tons rounded to nearest thousand)		IF-EU-150a.1					
	Percentage Recycled (metric tons rounded to nearest thousand)							
	Total Number of Coal Combustion Residual Impoundments							
		NRG Impoundme Classification						
Coal Ash Management			Less than Low	Low	Significant	High	Incised*	
		Satisfactory	0	1	5	0	0	
	Number by EPA Hazard Potential Classification, Broken Down by EPA Structural Integrity Assessment	Fair	0	0	0	0	0	IF-EU-150a.2
		Poor	0	0	0	0	0	
		Unsatisfactory	0	0	0	0	0	
		Not Applicable*	0	1	2	0	2	
		*To align with EPA r Applicable' to accou					l' and a row for 'Not PA.	

Topic		Accounting Metric						
	(1) Total Recordable Injury Rate							
	(2) Fatality Rate			0				
Workforce Health and Safety	(3) Near-Miss Frequency Rate	Process for classifying, # of Near-Misses Reportequency Rate The National Safety Age that did not result in injuso." NRG uses an electrommunicate, track, and causal factors and correwide notifications. The from the Incident Mana (OHS) management system also includes notification events occur that meet The system also generate the previous week to Nf	IF-EU-320a.1					
	Total Number of Nuclear Power Units, Broken Down by Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Action Matrix Column	NRG South Texas Project STP. Reactor Unit	ct LP (STP) is a 44% own Action Matrix Column	ner of a joint undivided interest in Current Regulatory Oversight				
		South Texas 1	Licensee Response	Baseline inspection	IF-EU-540a.1			
		South Texas 2	Licensee Response	Baseline inspection				
Nuclear		Table source: https://www summary.html						
Nuclear Safety and Emergency Management	Discussion of Efforts to Manage Nuclear Safety and Emergency Preparedness	As a holder of an owner NRC licensee and is sub right only to possess an only licensee, i.e., non-cast Texas Project LP is prim decommissioning fundi license, NRG and its sub \$120 million to support	IF-EU-540a.2					

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Management of the Legal & Regulatory Environment	Discussion of Positions on the Regulatory and Political Environment Related to Environmental and Social Factors and Description of Efforts to Manage Risks and Opportunities Presented	A discussion of risks can be found in the 2022 10-K SEC filing, Item 1-A, Risk Factors Related to NRG Energy, Inc., pages 24-37. Throughout 2022, we continued to engage with policymakers in Washington, D.C. and at the state level. We also maintained our relationships with groups such as the Electric Power Supply Association and various informal organizations. When possible, we collaborate with groups focused on clean energy access and climate solutions. Typically, we engage on legislative and regulatory actions designed to mitigate GHG emissions, as well as policies that support the development and deployment of competitive low-carbon power generation technologies. We are most active in the debate aimed at protecting and expanding competitive power markets and consumer choice, both of which we believe are critical enablers of achieving least-cost low-carbon outcomes. This year, we once again evaluated the climate positions of certain membership organizations, trade associations and social welfare organizations to which we pay annual dues. In 2022, the organizations evaluated were either (i) in alignment with the Paris Climate Agreement or (ii) did not have a climate position. Our assessment was published in our Industry Association Climate Review which we update annually. Regulatory filings, white papers, presentations, and other materials that NRG has prepared and submitted setting forth NRG's positions on a variety of critical subjects driving our business and the industry can be found at https://www.nrg.com/energy-policy.html.	IF101-21

The following SASB topics and corresponding activity metrics are not appliable to NRG.

- Energy Affordability (IF-EU-240a)
 - This topic pertains to regulated electric utilities, and NRG is not a regulated utility.
- End-Use Efficiency & Demand (IF-EU-420a)
 - This topic pertains to regulated electric utilities, and NRG is not a regulated utility.
- Grid Resiliency (IF-EU-550a)
 - NRG does not have transmission and distribution operations.