

THACKER WILLIAM L

Form 4

December 18, 2012

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
THACKER WILLIAM L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1000 MAIN STREET

(Street)

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
GenOn Energy, Inc. [GEN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/14/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---|
|                                       |   |   | Code                                 | V   | Amount   | (A)<br>or<br>(D)   | Price   |
| Common<br>Stock                       | 12/14/2012                              |   | D                                    |   | 100,704  | D  | <u>(1)</u> 0  |
| Cash Units                            | 12/14/2012                              |   | M                                    |   | 17,245   | A  | <u>(2)</u> 17,245   |
| Cash Units                            | 12/14/2012                              |   | D                                    |   | 17,245   | D  | <u>(2)</u> 0  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**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. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 8.7   | 12/14/2012                           |  | D                              | 14,381  | (3) 01/13/2016   | Common Stock  | 14,315                        |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 8.6   | 12/14/2012                           |  | D                              | 14,540  | (4) 05/10/2016   | Common Stock  | 14,540                        |
| Cash Units                                 | (2)  | 12/14/2012                           |  | M                              | 17,245  | (2) (2)  | Common Stock  | 17,245                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| THACKER WILLIAM L<br>1000 MAIN STREET<br>HOUSTON, TX 77002 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William L.

Thacker

12/18/2012

Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The reporting person disposed of these shares in connection with the merger (the "Merger") involving GenOn Energy, Inc. and NRG

- (1) Energy, Inc. ("NRG") in exchange for shares of NRG common stock, based on the exchange ratio of 0.1216 and having a market value of \$23.00 per share on the effective date of the Merger, plus cash consideration for fractional shares.
- (2) Each cash unit is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock of GenOn. The cash units were paid in cash in connection with the Merger based on the fair market value per share of GenOn common stock on the effective date of the Merger.
- (3) Upon completion of the Merger, this fully-vested option was converted into an option to purchase 1,748 shares of NRG common stock at \$71.55 per share.
- (4) Upon completion of the Merger, this fully-vested option was converted into an option to purchase 1,768 shares of NRG common stock at \$70.73 per share.

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