CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ROZZELL SCOTT E			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [CNP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 1111 LOUISI	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/23/2008	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Gen.Counsel, Corp. Sec			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON,	TX 77002	(T:)		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities A Transaction Disposed of Code (Instr. 3, 4 and (Instr. 8)			Ď) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/23/2008		Code V A	Amount 18,655 (1)	(D)	Price (2)	110,965	D		
Common Stock	01/23/2008		F	5,809	D	\$ 15.395	105,156	D		
Common Stock	01/23/2008		A	12,300 (3)	A	<u>(2)</u>	117,456	D		
Common Stock							33,077	I	By Savings Plan ⁽⁴⁾	

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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired		ate	Amou Under Secur	le and ant of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo
	·				(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROZZELL SCOTT E 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002

EVP, Gen.Counsel, Corp. Sec

Signatures

Scott E. Rozzell 01/25/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Award of performance shares for 2005-2007 performance cycle.
- (2) Price is not applicable.
- (3) Award of time-based stock with performance goal for 2005-2007 cycle under Long Term Incentive Plan.
- (4) Equivalent Shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 01/01/2008.

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