CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC

Form 4

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KELLEY BYRON R Issuer Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC (Check all applicable) [CNP] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1111 LOUISIANA 02/21/2008 Sr. VP and Grp Pres Pipelines (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HOUSTON, TX 77002 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price 1,946 Common \$ 02/21/2008 F D 11,378 D Stock (1)15.365 By Common Ι Savings 2,430

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

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Plan (2)

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Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

KELLEY BYRON R 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002

Sr. VP and Grp Pres Pipelines

Signatures

Byron R. Kelley 02/25/2008 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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- 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).
- Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of 2005 award of time based stock with performance goal reported on Form 4 dated January 25, **(1)**
- (2) Equivalent Shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 02/01/2008.

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