#### CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC

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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

(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 MCGOLDRICK JOSEPH B 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) below) 1111 LOUISIANA 03/20/2013 Exec VP - Div Pres (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 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect

1.Title of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 7,800 03/20/2014 A A <u>(2)</u> 62,088 D (1) Stock Common By Savings I 15,908 Stock Plan (3)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

MCGOLDRICK JOSEPH B 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002

Exec VP - Div Pres

### **Signatures**

Richard B. Dauphin Attorney in Fact

03/24/2014

\*\*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).
- Time based restricted stock units vesting in February 2017 if the reporting person is an employee of Issuer through such date and on a pro-rata basis in the event of his earlier retirement, disability, or death.
- (2) Price is not applicable.
- (3) Equivalent Shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 03/01/2014.

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