CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC Form 8-K October 31, 2007

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 FORM 8-K CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 25, 2007

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas 1-31447 74-0694415
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1111 Louisiana77002Houston, Texas(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (713) 207-1111

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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ITEM 5.03. AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BYLAWS; CHANGE IN FISCAL YEAR.

- (a) On October 25, 2007, the Board of Directors of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (the Company) voted to amend Article III, Section 1(b) of the Company s Bylaws to change the mandatory retirement age for individuals serving as directors of the Company from 70 to 73. The Bylaws, as so amended, are filed as Exhibit 3.1 to this report. ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.
- (d) The exhibit listed below is filed pursuant to Item 5.03 of this Form 8-K.
 - 3.1 Amended and Restated Bylaws of CenterPoint Energy, Inc.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

Date: October 31, 2007 By: /s/ James S. Brian

James S. Brian

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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3.1 Amended and Restated Bylaws of CenterPoint Energy, Inc.