

CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRIAN JAMES S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC
[CNP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1111 LOUISIANA
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/01/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP & CAO

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/01/2007		A	(1) 25,900	A (2) 76,956	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2007		D	(3) 8,873	D (2) 68,083	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2007		A	(4) 11,100	A (2) 79,173	D	
Common Stock	12/01/2007		D	(5) 4,303	D (2) 74,880	D	
Common Stock					20,260	I	By Savings Plan (6)

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separation from service pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 409A.

- (5) Forfeiture of a total of 4,303 shares (284, 1,720 and 2,299 canceled shares respectively from 2005, 2006 and 2007 Long Term Incentive Plan awards) due to the retirement of Mr. Brian.
- (6) Equivalent Shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 12/01/2007.

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