#### CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC

Form 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(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 02/19/2015 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 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (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) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 9,770 02/19/2015 A A \$0  $70,858 \frac{(2)}{}$ D (1) Stock Common By Savings 16,363 I 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)

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# **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**

Vincent A. Mercaldi Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2015

Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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 2018 if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Issuer from the grant date through the vesting date and on a pro-rata basis in the event of his earlier retirement, disability or death.
- Total includes 7,800 time-based restricted stock units previously awarded under the Issuer's Long-term Incentive Plan and vesting in (2) February 2017 if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Issuer from the grant date through the vesting date and on a pro-rata basis in the event of his earlier retirement, disability or death.
- (3) Equivalent shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 01/31/2015.

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