ROZZELL SCOTT E

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

ROZZELL SCOTT E			Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [CNP]						Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1111 LOUISIANA			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2013						Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Gen.Counsel, Corp. Sec			
HOUSTON	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-	-De	erivative S	Securi	ities Acqı	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye			3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/27/2013			A		38,657 (1)	A	<u>(2)</u>	290,868	D		
Common Stock	02/27/2013			F		13,150 (3)	D	\$ 21.23	277,718	D		
Common Stock									44,012	I	By Savings Plan (4)	
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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROZZELL SCOTT E 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002

EVP, Gen.Counsel, Corp. Sec

Signatures

Richard B. Dauphin Attorney

in Fact 03/01/2013

**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).
- (1) Vesting of performance shares awarded in 2010.
- (2) Price is not applicable.
- (3) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of performance shares.
- (4) Equivalent Shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan as of 02/01/2013.

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