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Prochazka Scott M Sy				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)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/24/2016					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President & CEO			
			endment, Date Original onth/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 				
		(Zip)						Person			
(City)	(State)						-	uired, Disposed of		•	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) Code V		posed	of (D) 5) Price	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	02/24/2016			А	63,258 (1)	А	\$ 18.86	181,183 <u>(2)</u>	D		
Common Stock								6,048	Ι	By Savings 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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Unde Secur	le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Prochazka Scott M 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002	Х		President & CEO				
Signatures							
Vincent A. Mercaldi,		02/26/20	16				

Attorney-in-Fact

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).
- (1) Time-based restricted stock units vesting in February 2019 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.

(2) Total includes (i) 34,180 time-based restricted stock units previously awarded under the Issuer's Long-term Incentive Plan and vesting in February 2017 and (ii) 37,480 time-based restricted stock units previously awarded under the Issuer's Long-term Incentive Plan and vesting in February 2018. Each award shall vest 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 January 31, 2016.

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