

ORTENSTONE SUSAN B
Form 4
February 26, 2019

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ORTENSTONE SUSAN B

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)
02/24/2019

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP and Chief HR Officer

HOUSTON, TX 77002

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)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/24/2019		F	(A) or (D) D	1,717 (1) \$ 31.4	37,496 (2)	D

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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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ORTENSTONE SUSAN B 1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TX 77002			SVP and Chief HR Officer	

Signatures

Vincent A. Mercaldi,
Attorney-in-Fact

 **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) Shares withheld for taxes upon vesting of time-based restricted stock units.

Total includes (i) 5,276 time-based restricted stock units ("RSUs") previously awarded under the Issuer's Long-term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and vesting in February 2020, (ii) 5,836 RSUs previously awarded under the Plan and vesting in February 2021, and (iii) 5,719 RSUs previously awarded under the Plan and vesting in February 2022. The award to vest in 2020 shall vest if the Reporting Person

- (2) continues to be an employee of Issuer from grant date through vesting date and on a pro-rata basis in the event of her earlier retirement, disability or death. The above awards to vest in 2021 and 2022 shall vest (i) if she continues to be an employee of Issuer from grant date through vesting date and (ii) in the event of her disability or death. Also, the above awards to vest in 2021 and 2022 shall vest on a pro-rata basis in the event of her retirement unless she satisfies various conditions for full vesting.

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