FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wolff Sherman 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/25/2007			nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [CNP]								
(Last) 1111 LOUISI	(First)	(Middle)				tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					int of Securities ally Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
No securities are beneficially owned						0	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conve	rcise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	,	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Deriva	tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>Sherman M. Wolff</u> <u>10/29/2007</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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