

## Webcast Alert: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. to Host Webcast of First Quarter 2010 Earnings Conference Call on May 5, 2010

HOUSTON, Apr 7, 2010 (GlobeNewswire via COMTEX News Network) -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE:CNP) announces the following webcast:

What: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. First Quarter 2010 Earnings Conference Call Webcast

When: Wednesday, May 5, 2010 @ 10:30 a.m. Central time or 11:30 a.m. Eastern time

Where: <a href="http://www.centerpointenergy.com">http://www.centerpointenergy.com</a> -- Click "Investors" Click the link, "CenterPoint Energy, Inc. First Quarter 2010 Earnings Conference Call Webcast"

How: Live over the Internet -- Simply log on to the web at the address above.

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Replay: If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, it will be archived at <a href="http://www.centerpointenergy.com/">http://www.centerpointenergy.com/</a> for at least one year.

Date: May 5, 2010 Time: 11:30 AM ET

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CenterPoint Energy, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a domestic energy delivery company that includes electric transmission & distribution, natural gas distribution, competitive natural gas sales and services, interstate pipelines, and field services operations. The company serves more than five million metered customers primarily in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oklahoma and Texas. Assets total nearly \$20 billion. With about 8,800 employees, CenterPoint Energy and its predecessor companies have been in business for more than 135 years. For more information, visit the Web site at <a href="https://www.CenterPointEnergy.com">www.CenterPointEnergy.com</a>.

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