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

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): November 3, 2009**

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**CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Texas**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-31447**  
(Commission File Number)

**74-0694415**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1111 Louisiana  
Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**77002**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 207-1111**

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**CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Texas**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-3187**  
(Commission File Number)

**22-3865106**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1111 Louisiana  
Houston, Texas**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(713) 207-1111**

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**CENTERPOINT ENERGY RESOURCES CORP.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**1-13265**  
(Commission File Number)

**76-0511406**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

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### **Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.**

A copy of the slide presentation that CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (“CenterPoint Energy”) expects will be presented to various members of the financial and investment community from time to time is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1.

The slide presentation is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Regulation FD. Accordingly, the slide presentation will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by CenterPoint Energy, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (“CenterPoint Houston”) or CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp. (“CERC”) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference. The furnishing of the slide presentation is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by CenterPoint Energy, CenterPoint Houston or CERC that the information in the slide presentation is material or complete, or that investors should consider this information before making an investment decision with respect to any security of CenterPoint Energy, CenterPoint Houston, CERC or any of their affiliates.

### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

The exhibit listed below is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 CenterPoint Energy, Inc. slide presentation

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Date: November 3, 2009

By: /s/ Walter L. Fitzgerald

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# The Benefits of a Balanced Electric & Gas Portfolio

David M. McClanahan  
President and CEO

44<sup>th</sup> EEI Financial Conference  
Hollywood, Florida  
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We have based our forward-looking statements on our management's beliefs and assumptions based on information currently available to our management at the time the statements are made. We caution you that assumptions, beliefs, expectations, intentions, and projections about future events may and often do vary materially from actual results. Therefore, we cannot assure you that actual results will not differ materially from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements.

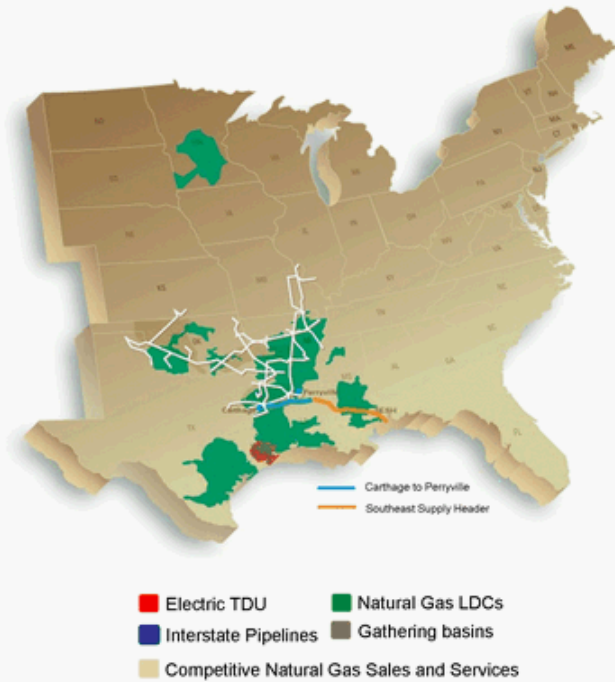
Some of the factors that could cause actual results to differ from those expressed or implied by our forward-looking statements include the timing and amount of our recovery of the true-up components, including, in particular, the results of appeals to the courts of determination on rulings obtained to date, the timing and amount of our recovery of restoration costs arising from Hurricane Ike, the timing and impact of future regulatory, legislative and IRS decisions, financial market conditions and other factors described in CenterPoint Energy, Inc.'s Form 10-K for the period ended December 31, 2008, under "Risk Factors" and under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations - Certain Factors Affecting Future Earnings", in CenterPoint Energy, Inc.'s Forms 10-Q for the quarterly periods ended March 31, 2009, June 30, 2009, and September 30, 2009, under "Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries - Certain Factors Affecting Future Earnings", and in other filings with the SEC by CenterPoint Energy.

You should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Each forward-looking statement speaks only as of the date of this presentation, and we undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements.

# Investment Highlights



- Strategically located assets and attractive service territories which provide operating scale and diversification of risk
- Regulated operations providing ~80% of operating income and stable earnings and cash flow
- Opportunity to leverage market position as a leading provider of gas infrastructure services
- Organic growth opportunities across all businesses
- Committed to a secure, competitive dividend with growth while improving financial strength and flexibility



Our Vision

*To Be Recognized As America's Leading Energy Delivery Company...and More*

"... America's Energy Delivery..."

● **Focused on domestic energy delivery businesses**

- Continental U.S. market
- Regulated energy delivery
  - ◆ Electric transmission and distribution (TDU)
  - ◆ Natural gas local distribution companies (LDCs)
  - ◆ Natural gas interstate pipelines
- Unregulated energy delivery
  - ◆ Natural gas field services (gas gathering)

"... and More"

● **Pursue complementary businesses that leverage our core businesses/business skills**

- Competitive natural gas sales and services

To build a domestic energy company with a balanced portfolio of electric and natural gas businesses

- Seek geographic, economic and regulatory diversity
- Capture organic growth in our attractive electric and natural gas service territories and seek opportunities to acquire other regulated electric and natural gas businesses
- Take advantage of our strategically located interstate pipeline assets and their access to active natural gas supply basins and attractive end-use markets
- Invest in gas gathering, treating and processing facilities in attractive gas producing areas, especially in the new shale plays (Haynesville, Fayetteville and Woodford)
- Optimize our competitive natural gas sales and services business

Remain committed to our investment thesis of providing a secure, competitive dividend with growth

# Complementary Electric and Natural Gas Portfolio

## Electric Transmission & Distribution

- Regulated 'wires only' business
- 5,000 sq. mile service territory in and around Houston
- Over 2 million metered customers in the Houston area
- Solid, consistent customer growth

## Natural Gas Distribution

- Regulated local gas distribution companies in AR, LA, MN, MS, OK, TX
- 3.2 million customers
- Solid growth in key urban areas
- 411 Bcf throughput in 2008

## Natural Gas Pipelines

- FERC regulated pipelines
- Strategically located at the center of the nation's gas transportation infrastructure
- Connected to over 20 other pipelines
- 1,538 Bcf throughput in 2008

## Natural Gas Field Services

- Non-rate regulated; primarily fee-based business
- Gathering, treating and processing
- Primarily focused on mid-continent production basins and new shale plays
- 421 Bcf throughput in 2008

## Natural Gas Sales & Services

- Non-rate regulated
- Markets natural gas and services
- 10,900 commercial, industrial and utility customers in 18 states
- 528 Bcf throughput in 2008

### Adjusted Operating Income (in millions)

2008:	\$412 <sup>(1)</sup>	2008:	\$215	2008:	\$293	2008:	\$147	2008:	\$62
2007:	\$425 <sup>(1)</sup>	2007:	\$218	2007:	\$237	2007:	\$ 99	2007:	\$75
2006:	\$450 <sup>(1)</sup>	2006:	\$124	2006:	\$181	2006:	\$ 89	2006:	\$77
2005:	\$448 <sup>(1)</sup>	2005:	\$175	2005:	\$165	2005:	\$ 70	2005:	\$60
2004:	\$441 <sup>(1)</sup>	2004:	\$178	2004:	\$129	2004:	\$ 51	2004:	\$44

(1) Results exclude operating income from the Transition Bond Companies and the Final Fuel Reconciliation (see reconciliation on page 20).

# Attractive and Balanced Portfolio with Stability and Growth

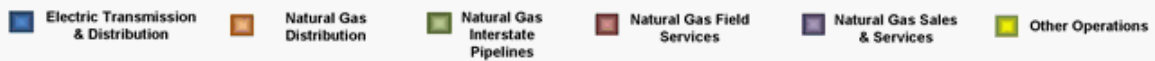
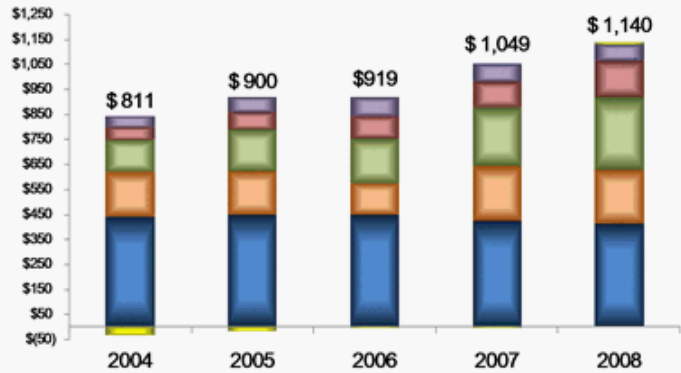
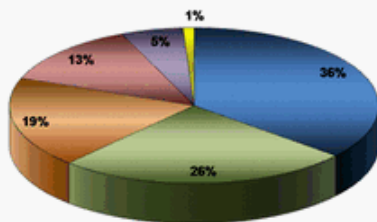


Balanced Portfolio

Growth

2008 Adjusted Operating Income: \$1,140<sup>(1)</sup>

2004 – 2008 Adjusted Operating Income<sup>(2)</sup>



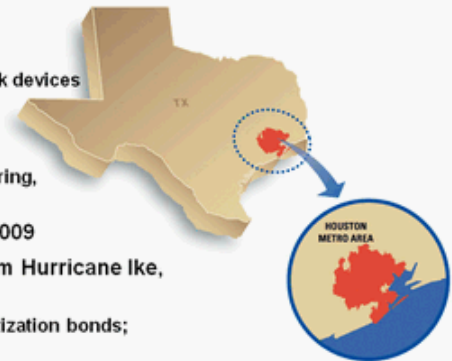
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# CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric Electric Transmission & Distribution

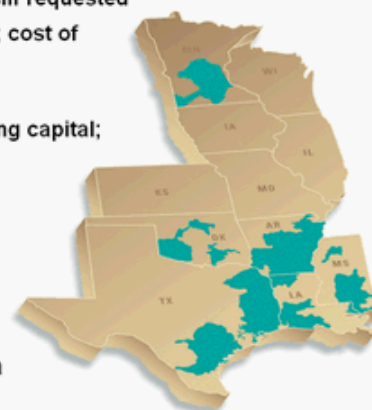


- Distribution rates frozen through June 2010
- Transmission rates increased by \$22.5 million in November 2008
  - Distribution rate freeze precludes recovery of the portion of increased transmission rates attributable to our service territory until new distribution rates implemented; net benefit of rate increase to operating income in 2009 ~\$17 million
- New capital expenditures drive growth in rate base
  - Current rate base ~\$3.4 billion; capital expenditures expected to be between \$400 and \$500 million annually for the next 5 years, excluding ~\$640 million for advanced metering program (before the impact of stimulus funding)
- Advanced meter deployment progressing
  - Over 100,000 advanced meters installed; on target to install 145,000 by year end 2009
  - If funded in accordance with application for stimulus funds, deployment will be accelerated to be complete in 2012
  - Provides remote meter reading and connect/disconnect capability
  - Provides real-time pricing capability and communication with home area network devices
- Grant for \$200 million in DOE stimulus funding awarded
  - \$150 million to be used to accelerate advanced metering deployment
  - \$50 million to be dedicated to intelligent grid technology (remote system monitoring, outage detection, intelligent switching and restoration)
- Texas Supreme Court heard oral arguments on true-up appeal in October 2009
- PUC has approved recovery of ~\$663 million of storm restoration costs from Hurricane Ike, plus carrying costs from September 1, 2009
  - ~\$643 million in distribution system costs to be recovered through storm securitization bonds; expected to be issued before year-end 2009
    - ◆ Credits to customer bills to reflect benefit of deferred taxes beginning when system restoration charges go into effect; negative impact to 2010 operating income estimated at ~\$24 million and declining over life of bonds
  - Remaining \$20 million in transmission system costs, plus carrying costs, to be recovered through existing rate mechanisms



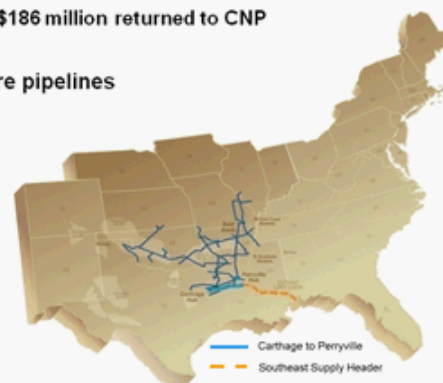


- Focused on implementation of rate strategies designed to earn allowed return, while limiting rate case frequency, and decoupling revenues from consumption
  - Align company and customers' interests on conservation and energy efficiency
  - Significant progress in a number of jurisdictions
    - ◆ Arkansas: revenue stabilization mechanism; weather normalization adjustment; energy efficiency rider
    - ◆ Louisiana: cost of service adjustment mechanism; weather normalization adjustment
    - ◆ Oklahoma: cost of service adjustment mechanism; weather normalization adjustment
    - ◆ Mississippi: pending rate case to be withdrawn as part of agreement for company to keep benefits from asset management agreement
    - ◆ Minnesota: rate case pending; filed for \$60 million in November 2008; implemented interim rates of \$51.2 million in January 2009, subject to refund; decoupling mechanism requested
    - ◆ Texas: Houston rate case pending; filed for \$25.4 million in July 2009; cost of service adjustment requested
    - ◆ Other Texas jurisdictions: some have cost of service adjustments
  - Execution of asset management agreements - minimize gas inventory working capital; sharing of benefits between company and customers being requested
- Continue to promote natural gas as the clean fuel of choice for cooking, space and water heating
- Operations are structured to capture synergies across all six states
- Current rate base ~\$2 billion; capital expenditures expected to be between \$200 and \$250 million annually for the next 5 years, including ~\$90 million for automated meter reading in the Houston area





- **Maintain core customer base through effective and timely re-contracting**
  - Long-term agreements with affiliated LDCs and Laclede in place
  - Focused on shifting short-term contracts to longer term arrangements
- **Continue to invest in pipeline expansions and greenfield development projects to provide access to markets for new gas supplies**
  - **Carthage to Perryville Pipeline**
    - ◆ 172-mile, 70,000 HP compression, ~1.55 Bcf per day pipeline
      - ◇ Phase I, II and III in service and-fully subscribed
    - ◆ 274 MMcf per day Phase IV compression expansion under construction; target in service April 2010
      - ◇ Over 80 percent contracted with major producer (Chesapeake)
  - **Southeast Supply Header (SESH); joint venture with Spectra**
    - ◆ 270-mile, 1 Bcf per day pipeline; connects Perryville Hub to Southeast and Northeast markets
    - ◆ In August 2009, SESH sold \$375 million, 4.85% senior notes due 2014; \$186 million returned to CNP
    - ◆ Potential future expansion opportunities
  - **Continue to capture expansion opportunities to maximize value of core pipelines**
    - ◆ Backhaul contract for up to 0.5 Bcf per day with Chesapeake
    - ◆ Continuing to evaluate Haynesville and other shale opportunities
    - ◆ Contracted nearly 0.6 Bcf per day of power generation load since 2007
- **Maintenance capital expenditures expected to average ~\$80 million annually, not including pending environmental regulations; additional capital investment dependent on growth opportunities**



- **Secure core business through superior customer service and product offerings**
  - Attractive margins despite highly competitive business dynamics
  - Relatively low risk business model
    - ◆ Majority of new capital supported by agreements with guaranteed throughput or return provisions
    - ◆ Positioned to capture value from commodity up-swings
  - Strategic footprint in both traditional and shale basins
    - ◆ Drilling in shale areas remains steady
    - ◆ Significant decline in traditional drilling due to low gas price environment
- **Significant investment opportunities driven primarily by shale gas plays (Haynesville, Fayetteville and Woodford)**
  - Executed agreements with EnCana and Shell for gathering and treating Haynesville shale production
  - Strategic footprint and recent long-term contracts position business for solid long-term growth
  - 2009 capital expenditures expected to be ~\$300 million, including new contracts; capital investments for 2010 estimated to be ~\$250 - \$300 million



- **In September 2009, CenterPoint Energy Field Services (CEFS) signed long-term agreements with Shell and EnCana to provide gathering and treating services**
  - Establishes new relationships with 2 high quality producers
  - Terms include volume throughput commitments and acreage dedication
  - Agreements to provide gathering and treating facilities: up to 700 MMcf per day with the potential for expansion of up to an additional 1 Bcf per day at the producers' election
- **Capital Investment**
  - Initial phase (700 MMcf per day): \$300 - \$325 million over ~18 months
    - ◆ Acquired over 100 MMcf per day of existing facilities at close
    - ◆ Installation of ~226 miles of pipelines; nearly 25,500 horsepower of compression; ~800 MMcf per day treating capacity
  - Expansion (up to 1 Bcf per day): up to additional \$250 - \$300 million
    - ◆ Producers have option to request expansion of up to an additional 1 Bcf per day
    - ◆ Expansion could require ~60 miles of pipeline and ~40,200 horsepower of compression
- **Aligns with CNP risk profile and augments investment thesis**
  - Fee-based revenue structure with volume throughput commitments or guaranteed returns for all capital deployed
  - Significant revenue growth potential
- **Project scale provides competitive advantage to capture significant long-term opportunities**
  - CEFS gains first mover advantage in potentially the largest US production play
  - Extends North Louisiana footprint
  - Leverages core commercial and operating competencies

- **Risk management and internal controls essential to success**
  - Principally a physical gas provider using back-to-back contracting strategy
  - Disciplined risk management model
  - Low Value at Risk (VaR) limit of \$4 million
  - Rigorous credit scoring and collateral management
  - Economic gains locked in through the use of financial derivatives
  
- **Retail customer base growing; slight sales volume declines in 2009; wholesale opportunities impacted by reduced basis differentials; storage margins remain attractive due to seasonal basis spreads**



# Third Quarter 2009 Consolidated Results



(unaudited, in millions except per share amounts)

	3 mos. ended Sept. 30,		9 mos. ended Sept. 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
<b>Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 2,515</b>	<b>\$ 1,576</b>	<b>\$ 8,548</b>	<b>\$ 5,982</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>				
Natural gas	1,532	582	5,675	3,081
Operation and maintenance	371	415	1,078	1,226
Depreciation and amortization	194	208	540	562
Taxes other than income taxes	81	84	285	288
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,178</b>	<b>1,289</b>	<b>7,578</b>	<b>5,157</b>
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>825</b>
Interest and other finance charges	(116)	(126)	(346)	(384)
Interest on transition bonds	(34)	(32)	(102)	(98)
Other income - net	26	23	49	53
Income tax expense	(77)	(38)	(212)	(129)
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>\$ 136</b>	<b>\$ 114</b>	<b>\$ 359</b>	<b>\$ 267</b>
<b>Per Share:</b>				
<b>Basic</b>	<b>\$ 0.40</b>	<b>\$ 0.31</b>	<b>\$ 1.08</b>	<b>\$ 0.75</b>
<b>Diluted</b>	<b>\$ 0.39</b>	<b>\$ 0.31</b>	<b>\$ 1.05</b>	<b>\$ 0.74</b>

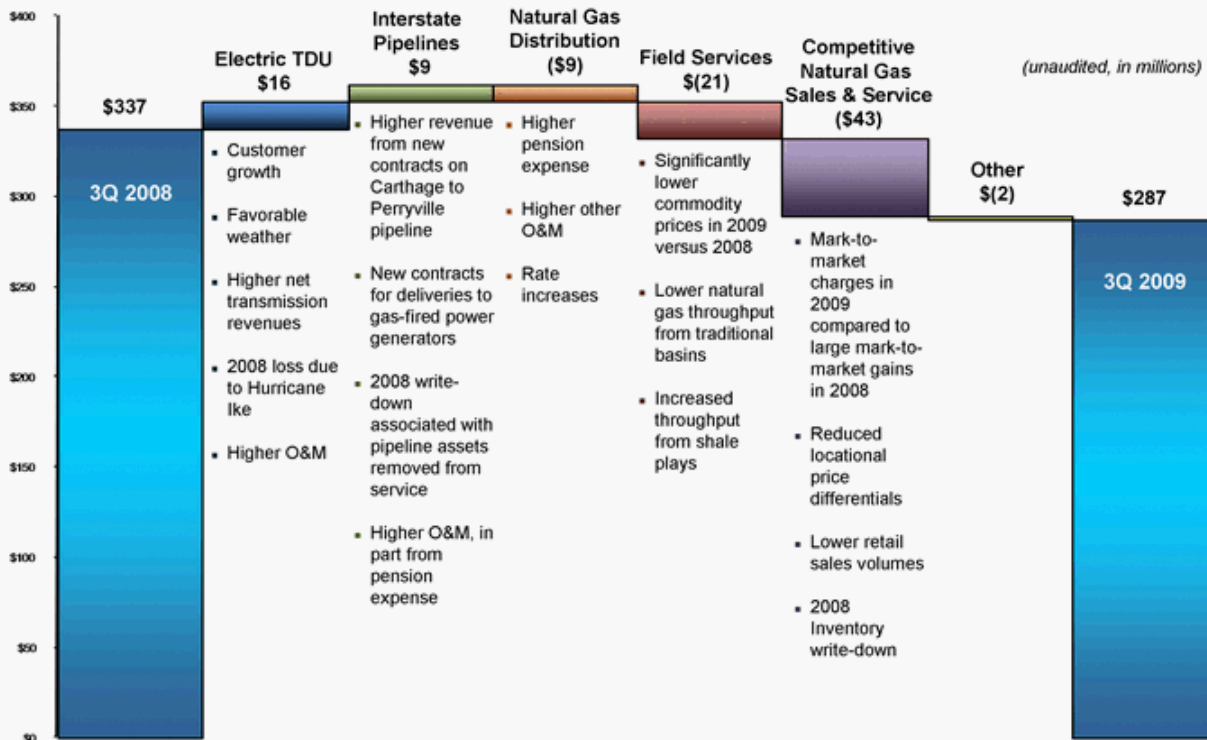
# Third Quarter 2009 Operating Income by Segment CenterPoint Energy

(unaudited, in millions)

	3 mos. ended Sept. 30,		9 mos. ended Sept. 30,	
	2008	2009	2008	2009
<b>Electric Transmission &amp; Distribution:</b>				
Electric Transmission and Distribution Operations	\$ 169	\$ 187	\$ 352	\$ 353
Competition Transition Charge	-	-	5	-
Total Electric Transmission and Distribution Utility	169	187	357	353
Transition Bond Companies	33	31	100	97
Total Electric Transmission & Distribution	202	218	457	450
<b>Natural Gas Distribution</b>	(6)	(15)	119	105
<b>Interstate Pipelines</b>	55	64	227	194
<b>Field Services</b>	44	23	121	72
<b>Competitive Natural Gas Sales and Services</b>	35	(8)	36	-
<b>Other Operations</b>	7	5	10	4
<b>Total Operating Income</b>	<u>\$ 337</u>	<u>\$ 287</u>	<u>\$ 970</u>	<u>\$ 825</u>

# Third Quarter 2009 Operating Income Drivers

## 3 mos. ended 9/30/09 vs. 3 mos. ended 9/30/08



- **Maximize return on regulated utilities portfolio**
- **Pursue growth projects in interstate pipelines and field services**
- **Capture profitability of competitive natural gas sales and services while maintaining appropriate level of risk**
- **Maintain and improve strong liquidity and credit profile**
- **Provide secure, competitive dividend with growth**
- **Consistently achieve top quartile shareholder returns**





# The Benefits of a Balanced Electric & Gas Portfolio

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# Appendix

# Reconciliation of Operating Income to Adjusted Operating Income



## Electric Transmission & Distribution

(in millions)

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Operating Income</b>	\$ 494	\$ 487	\$ 576	\$ 561	\$ 545
Transition Bond Companies	(38)	(39)	(126)	(119)	(133)
Final Fuel Reconciliation	(15)	-	-	(17)	-
<b>Adjusted Operating Income</b>	<u>\$ 441</u>	<u>\$ 448</u>	<u>\$ 450</u>	<u>\$ 425</u>	<u>\$ 412</u>

## Consolidated

(in millions)

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>
<b>Operating Income</b>	\$ 864	\$ 939	\$ 1,045	\$ 1,185	\$ 1,273
Transition Bond Companies	(38)	(39)	(126)	(119)	(133)
Final Fuel Reconciliation	(15)	-	-	(17)	-
<b>Adjusted Operating Income</b>	<u>\$ 811</u>	<u>\$ 900</u>	<u>\$ 919</u>	<u>\$ 1,049</u>	<u>\$ 1,140</u>

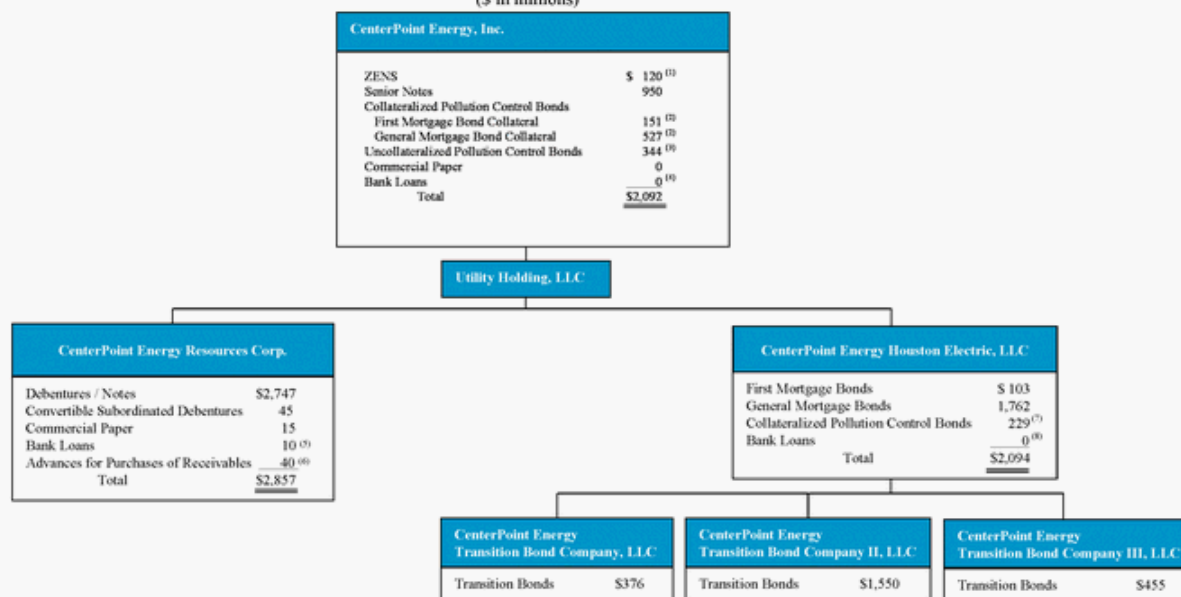
Note: Pursuant to financing orders issued by the Texas Utility Commission in accordance with the Texas Electric Choice Plan (Texas electric restructuring law), subsidiaries of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric have issued \$749 million, \$1.85 billion, and \$488 million in transition bonds in October 2001, December 2005 and February 2008, respectively. Final maturity dates on the bonds range from September 2015 to February 2023. The transition bonds are non-recourse to CenterPoint Energy and CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric and are serviced through dedicated amounts included in revenues. The transition bonds were issued to recover certain costs determined by the Texas Utility Commission to be recoverable in connection with the transition to competition under the Texas electric restructuring law.

# Principal amounts of external debt

As of September 30, 2009



(\$ in millions)



(1) The principal amount on which 2% interest is paid is \$840.3 million. The debt component reflected on the financial statements is \$120 million. The contingent principal amount payable at maturity is \$814.5 million.

(2) The collateralized pollution control bonds aggregating \$678 million are obligations of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. However, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC has issued first mortgage bonds aggregating \$151 million and general mortgage bonds aggregating \$527 million as collateral for the CenterPoint Energy, Inc. obligations.

(3) Excludes \$175 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 and are held for future remarketing.

(4) Borrowings under \$1.156 billion bank facility.

(5) Borrowings under \$950 million bank facility.

(6) Advances under \$150 million receivables facility.

(7) The pollution control bonds are collateralized by general mortgage bonds.

(8) Borrowings under \$289 million and \$600 million bank facilities.

# Principal amounts of maturing external debt

As of September 30, 2009



(\$ in millions)

Year	CenterPoint Energy <sup>(1)</sup>	CEHE	CERC <sup>(2)</sup>	Sub-total	Transition Bonds <sup>(3)</sup> (Series 2001-1)	Transition Bonds <sup>(3)</sup> (Series A)	Transition Bonds <sup>(3)</sup> (Series 2008)	Total
2009	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40	\$ 40	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40
2010	200	-	6	206	81	110	30	427
2011	19	-	557	576	88	118	33	815
2012	-	46	57	103	99	127	36	365
2013	-	450	762	1,212	109	137	38	1,496
2014-2018	1,020 <sup>(4)</sup>	927	1,035	2,982	-	850	232	4,064
2019-2023	390	303	-	693	-	208	86	987
2024-2028	168	56	-	224	-	-	-	224
2029-2033	989 <sup>(5)</sup>	312	-	1,301	-	-	-	1,301
2034-2037	-	-	400	400	-	-	-	400
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,786</b>	<b>\$ 2,094</b>	<b>\$ 2,857</b>	<b>\$ 7,737</b>	<b>\$ 377</b>	<b>\$ 1,550</b>	<b>\$ 455</b>	<b>\$ 10,119</b>

(1) Debt of \$150.85 million collateralized by First Mortgage Bonds of CEHE matures in 2015. Debt collateralized by General Mortgage Bonds of CEHE matures on the following dates: 2011, \$19.2 million; 2018, \$50 million; 2019, \$200 million; 2020, \$90 million; 2026, \$100 million; and 2028, \$68 million.

(2) Convertible Subordinated Debentures mature on the following dates: 2010, \$6.4 million; 2011, \$6.5 million; and 2012, \$32.5 million.

(3) Using expected maturities.

(4) Excludes \$100 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 and are held for future remarketing.

(5) Includes ZENS at their contingent amount payable at maturity of \$814.5 million. The principal amount of ZENS on which interest is paid is \$840.3 million. The ZENS debt component reflected on the Company's financial statements is \$120 million as of 9/30/2009. Excludes \$75 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 and are held for future remarketing.

## Available Liquidity (\$MM)

Entity	Type of Facility	Size of Facility	Amount Utilized at Oct. 19, 2009	Amount Available at Oct. 19, 2009
CenterPoint Energy	Revolver	\$ 1,156	\$ 27 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 1,129
CEHE	Revolver	289	4 <sup>(1)</sup>	285
CERC	Revolver	915	30	885
CERC	Receivables	150	-	150
<b>Total Credit &amp; Receivables Facilities</b>		<b>\$ 2,510</b>	<b>\$ 61</b>	<b>\$ 2,449</b>

(1) Represents outstanding letters of credit.

## Credit Ratings

	Moody's		S&P		Fitch	
	Rating	Outlook	Rating	Outlook	Rating	Outlook
CenterPoint Energy (Senior Unsecured)	Ba1	Stable	BBB-	Negative	BBB-	Stable
CEHE (Senior Secured) <sup>(1)</sup>	Baa1	Positive	BBB+	Negative	A-	Stable
CERC (Senior Unsecured)	Baa3	Stable	BBB	Negative	BBB	Stable

(1) General mortgage bonds and first mortgage bonds