



CenterPoint Energy, Inc. to Host Webcast of First Quarter 2011 Earnings Conference Call on May 5, 2011

HOUSTON, April 5, 2011 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE:CNP) announces the following webcast:

First Quarter 2011 Earnings Conference Call Webcast

Date: May 5, 2011

Time: 10:30 AM CT

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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 more than \$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 www.CenterPointEnergy.com.

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