1. **Name and Address of Reporting Person**
   Biddle Leslie D.
   *(Last) (First) (Middle)*
   1111 LOUISIANA
   [Street] [City] [State] [Zip]

2. **Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol**
   CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [ CNP ]

3. **Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)**
   05/01/2020

4. **Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer**
   - Director
   - Officer (give title below)
   - Other (specify below)

5. **Date of Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)**

6. **Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)**
   - Form filed by One Reporting Person
   - Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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<tr>
<th>Title of Security (Instr. 3)</th>
<th>Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)</th>
<th>Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)</th>
<th>Transaction Code (Instr. 8)</th>
<th>Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</th>
<th>Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
<th>Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)</th>
<th>Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Common Stock</td>
<td>05/01/2020</td>
<td></td>
<td>A</td>
<td>9,113(1) A</td>
<td>$0.00 19,096 D</td>
<td>D</td>
<td>V</td>
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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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<th>Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)</th>
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<th>Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)</th>
<th>Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)</th>
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**Explanation of Responses:**
1. Shares of common stock granted under the Issuer's Stock Plan for Outside Directors, as amended and restated.

**Remarks:**

**Vincent A. Mercaldi,**
Attorney-in-Fact

05/05/2020

**Signature of Reporting Person**

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).


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