SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 8)

Centerpoint Energy Inc.

(formerly Reliant Energy Inc.)

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, No Par (Title of Class of Securities)

15189T 10 7

(CUSIP Number)

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement [\_]. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7.)

-----Page 2 of 6 Pages CUSIP No. 15189T 10 7 13G ----------Name of Reporting Person S.S. or I.R.S. Identification No. of above person 1 Northern Trust Corporation 36-2723087 36-1561860 94-2938925 36-3190871 75-10000 36-2723087 The Northern Trust Company Northern Trust Bank of California, NA Northern Trust Bank of Florida, NA Northern Trust Bank of Texas, NA Northern Trust Investments, Inc. 36-3608252 Northern Trust Bank, FSB 38-3424562 Northern Trust Company of Connecticut 06-6275604 · · · Check the appropriate box if a member of a group 2 (a)[\_] (b)[\_] Not Applicable \_\_\_\_\_ S.E.C. use only 3 Citizenship or place of organization 4 Northern Trust Corporation -- a Delaware corporation with principal offices in Chicago, Illinois \_\_\_\_\_ Sole Voting Power 5 Number of 833,152 ----shares Shared Voting Power beneficially 6 owned by 33,101,374 ----each Sole Dispositive Power reporting 7 1,289,351 person with Shared Dispositive Power 8 40,990 Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting person 9 33,956,425 -----Check box if the aggregate amount in Row (9) excludes certain shares. 10 Not Applicable Percent of class represented by amount in Row 9 11 11.16 \_ \_\_\_\_\_ Type of reporting person 12 Northern Trust Corporation HC 

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Check the following box if a fee is being paid with statement [\_].

- 1. (a) Centerpoint Energy Inc (Name of Issuer)
  - (b) 1111 Louisiana St., Houston, Texas 77002 (Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Office)
- - (b) 50 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60675 (Address of Person Filing)

  - (d) Common Stock, No Par (Title of Class of Securities)
- This statement is being filed by Northern Trust Corporation as a Parent Holding Company in accordance with S240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G).
- 4. (a) 33,956,425

(Amount Beneficially Owned)

- (b) 11.16 (Percent of Class)
- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i) 833,152 (Sole Power to Vote or to Direct the Vote)
  - (ii) 33,101,374 (Shared Power to Vote or to Direct the Vote)
  - (iii) 1,289,351 (Sole Power to Dispose or Direct Disposition)
  - (iv) 40,990 (Shared Power to Dispose or Direct Disposition)

- 5. If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than 5 percent of the class of securities, check the following: [ ]
- 6. Statement regarding ownership of 5 percent or more on behalf of another person:
- 7. Parent Holding Company reporting on behalf of the following subsidiaries, all of which are banks as defined in Section 3(a)(6)of the Act:

The Northern Trust Company 50 South LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60675

Northern Trust Bank of California N.A.	Northern Trust Bank of Florida N.A.
355 South Grand Avenue, Suite 2600	700 Brickell Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90071	Miami, FL 33131
Northern Trust Bank of Texas N.A.	Northern Trust Investments, Inc.
2020 Ross Avenue	50 South LaSalle Street
Dallas, TX 75201	Chicago, IL 60675
Northern Trust Company of Connecticut	Northern Trust Bank, FSB
300 Atlantic Street, Suite 400	40701 Woodward, Suite 110
Stamford, CT 06901	Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304

8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

Not Applicable.

9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

## Not Applicable.

10. By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect. After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

NORTHERN TRUST CORPORATION

By: Perry R. Pero

DATED: 02-10-2003

As its: Vice Chairman

EXHIBIT TO SCHEDULE 13G FILED BY NORTHERN TRUST CORPORATION

Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20549-1004 Attention: Filing Desk, Stop 1-4

RE: Centerpoint Energy, Inc.

Pursuant to the requirement of 240.13d-1(k) (1) (iii), this exhibit shall constitute our written agreement that the Schedule 13G to which this exhibit is attached is filed on behalf of Northern Trust Corporation and of its subsidiary(ies), as stated below, regarding our respective beneficial ownership in the above-captioned equity security.

NORTHERN TRUST CORPORATION

By: Perry R. Pero

As its: Vice Chairman

DATED: 02-10-2003

The NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY

By: Perry R. Pero As its Vice Chairman

NORTHERN TRUST BANK OF CALIFORNIA, NA NORTHERN TRUST BANK OF FLORIDA, NA NORTHERN TRUST BANK OF TEXAS, NA

By: Quentin C. Johnson As its Authorized Representative

NORTHERN TRUST INVESTMENTS, INC.

By: Orie L. Dudley As its Director

NORTHERN TRUST BANK, FSB

By: Brian J. Hofmann As its Authorized Representative

NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY OF CONNECTICUT

By: Trista Simoncek

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As its Authorized Representative