

## Webcast Alert: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. to Host Webcast of Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2009 Earnings Conference Call on February 26, 2010

HOUSTON, Jan 20, 2010 /PRNewswire via COMTEX News Network/ -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP) announces the following webcast:

CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Fourth Quarter and Full Year

What: 2009 Earnings

Conference Call Webcast

When: Friday, February 26, 2010 @ 10:30 a.m. Central time or

11:30 a.m. Eastern time

Where: http://www.centerpointenergy.com - Click "Investors"

Click the link, "CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2009 Earnings Conference Call Webcast"

Live over the Internet - Simply log on to the web at the

How: address above.

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If you are unable to participate during the live webcast,

it will be archived at http://

Replay: www.centerpointenergy.com/ for at least one year.

(Logo: http://www.newscom.com/cgi-bin/prnh/20020930/CNPLOGO)

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 \$19 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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