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): JULY 29, 2003

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS (State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of incorporation)

1-31447

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SECOND QUARTER 2003 RESULTS

On July 29, 2003, CenterPoint Energy, Inc. ("CenterPoint Energy") reported second quarter 2003 earnings. For additional information regarding CenterPoint Energy's second quarter 2003 earnings, please refer to CenterPoint Energy's press release attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 (the "Press Release"), which Press Release, other than (i) the quotations therein from CenterPoint Energy's president and chief executive officer, (ii) the information therein under the caption "2003 Outlook" and (iii) the information therein in the first two paragraphs under the caption "Webcast of Earnings Conference Call" (collectively, the "Excluded Information"), is incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

- (c) Exhibits.
- The following exhibit is filed herewith:
- 99.1 Press Release issued July 29, 2003 regarding CenterPoint Energy's second quarter 2003 earnings.

ITEM 12. RESULTS OF OPERATIONS AND FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The information incorporated by reference in Item 5 of this report and the Excluded Information is incorporated by reference herein. The Excluded Information is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Item 12. Accordingly, the Excluded Information will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by CenterPoint Energy under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference. The furnishing of the information in this report is not intended to, and does not, constitute a determination or admission by CenterPoint Energy, that the information in this report is material or complete, or that investors should consider this information before making an investment decision with respect to any security of CenterPoint Energy or any of its affiliates.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC .

Date: July 29, 2003

By: /s/ JAMES S. BRIAN

James S. Brian

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

EXHIBIT	
NUMBER	EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION

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CENTERPOINT ENERGY REPORTS SOLID SECOND QUARTER 2003 OPERATING RESULTS OPERATING IMPROVEMENTS ACROSS ALL BUSINESS SEGMENTS MITIGATE HIGHER INTEREST COSTS

HOUSTON - JULY 29, 2003 - CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP) today reported income from continuing operations of \$83 million, or \$0.27 per diluted share for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. This compares to income from continuing operations of \$86 million, or \$0.29 per diluted share for the second quarter of 2002. For the six months ended June 30, 2003, income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting change was \$164 million, or \$0.54 per diluted share, compared to \$231 million, or \$0.78 per diluted share for the same period of 2002.

CenterPoint Energy's net income for the second quarter of 2003 was \$63 million, or \$0.21 per diluted share, compared to \$236 million, or \$0.79 per diluted share, for the same period of 2002. During the second quarter of 2003, the company recorded a loss of \$20 million from discontinued operations primarily related to the company's planned sale of its energy management services business. During the second quarter of 2002, the company recorded income from discontinued operations of \$150 million primarily related to Reliant Resources, Inc.'s (RRI) results. As previously reported, the company distributed its investment in RRI to CenterPoint Energy shareholders on September 30, 2002, and RRI's historical results are reported as discontinued operations.

Net income for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$232 million, or \$0.76 per diluted share compared to \$267 million, or \$0.90 per diluted share for the first six months of 2002. During the first six months of 2003, the company recorded a benefit of \$80 million relating to the implementation of SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" and a \$13 million loss from discontinued operations. The first six months of 2002 included income from discontinued operations of \$36 million primarily related to RRI.

"I'm very pleased with the financial results of the second quarter, especially in light of much higher interest costs this year," said David McClanahan, president and chief executive officer of CenterPoint Energy. "Each of our business segments reported improved operating performance even after taking into account a significant increase in pension and insurance costs. I'm very proud of what our employees have accomplished and their continued focus on what we do best -- delivering electricity and natural gas safely and reliably.

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"In addition, we have made substantial progress in improving our financial stability and liquidity," said McClanahan. "We continued to access the capital markets during the second quarter, and so far this year we have raised over \$3 billion. We used these proceeds to pre-fund maturing debt, to refinance higher coupon debt, to pay down the company's bank facility and enhance our liquidity."

SECOND QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

The company's operating performance and cash flow for the second quarter of 2003 compared to the same period of 2002 were affected by:

- o continued customer growth with the addition of almost 90,000 metered electric and gas customers since June of 2002, or an annualized 2 percent growth
- o increased revenues of \$9 million from rate increases in the natural gas distribution operations
- improved operating income for our subsidiary, Texas Genco Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:TGN) of \$79 million
- o a reduction in capital expenditures of approximately \$81 million
- o an increase in interest expense of \$75 million
- o higher pension and insurance expenses of \$18 million

Other significant events during the second quarter include:

- o raising nearly \$1.5 billion by accessing the capital markets
- o reducing the company's credit facility by approximately \$1 billion, which eliminated all warrants associated with the credit facility and eliminated a second potential dividend restriction
- o completing the company's exit from Latin America

OPERATING INCOME BY SEGMENT DETAILED

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION

The electric transmission & distribution segment reported operating income of \$235 million in the second quarter of 2003 consisting of \$134 million for the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$101 million associated with generation-related regulatory assets, or ECOM, as described below. For the second quarter of 2002, operating income was \$275 million, consisting of \$105 million for the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$170 million associated with ECOM.

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The regulated electric transmission & distribution utility continues to benefit from solid customer growth. Revenues increased from the addition of over 51,000 metered customers since June 2002 as well as the positive impact of weather. Operating expenses declined from the comparable period of 2002. Higher benefit and insurance expenses were more than offset by reduced staffing levels, the non-recurrence of certain expenses related to the transition to the deregulated market in 2002 and process improvements.

Under the Texas electric restructuring law, a regulated utility may recover, in its 2004 stranded cost true-up proceeding, the difference between market prices received by its affiliated power generation company and the prices used in the ECOM model established by the Texas PUC. During 2002 and 2003, this difference, referred to as ECOM, produces non-cash income and is recorded as a regulatory asset. The reduction in ECOM of \$69 million from 2002 to 2003 resulted primarily from an increase in capacity auction prices at Texas Genco.

Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$440 million, consisting of \$207 million for the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$233 million for ECOM. This compares to \$528 million for the same period of 2002 consisting of \$217 million for the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$311 million for ECOM.

ELECTRIC GENERATION

Texas Genco owns 14,175 MW of electric generation in Texas and sells capacity, energy, and ancillary services in the Texas electric market, primarily through capacity auctions. It reported operating income of \$50 million for the second quarter of 2003 compared to an operating loss of \$29 million for the same period of 2002.

Wholesale electricity prices were much higher in 2003 due to substantially higher natural gas prices which led to increased capacity auction revenues for Texas Genco's baseload products. Operating expenses increased in the quarter due to higher natural gas and purchased power costs and increased operation and maintenance expenses, partially offset by reduced taxes other than income taxes. Operation and maintenance expenses increased due to outage costs associated with baseload generation units, including \$4 million related to an unplanned outage at Unit 1 of Texas Genco's 30.8 percent interest in the South Texas Project Electric Generating Station (STP) nuclear facility. In addition, higher pension, employee benefit and technical support costs contributed to the increase in operation and maintenance expenses. Texas Genco estimates that the added cost of replacement energy associated with the STP Unit 1 outage negatively impacted gross margin by approximately \$20 million for the quarter.

Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$33 million, compared to an operating loss of \$81 million for the same period of 2002.

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NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION

The natural gas distribution segment reported operating income of \$21 million for the second quarter of 2003 compared to the prior year's second quarter operating income of \$11 million.

The increase in operating income in the natural gas distribution segment resulted from continued customer growth, higher revenues from rate increases implemented late last year and improved margins from our commercial and industrial sales. These improvements more than offset increased expenses associated with higher pension, employee benefit and insurance expenses. The costs associated with a receivables facility, which was modified in November 2002, reduced operating income by \$3 million, whereas prior to the amendment, these costs were included in interest expense.

Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$151 million, compared to \$118 million for the same period of 2002.

PIPELINES AND GATHERING

The pipelines and gathering segment reported operating income of \$42 million in the second quarter of 2003 compared to \$39 million for the same period of 2002. The operating improvement was primarily related to improved revenues in the gas gathering operations. The segment continues to produce consistent operating income and stable cash flows.

Operating income for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$85 million, compared to \$76 million for the same period of 2002.

OTHER OPERATIONS

The company's other operations reported an operating loss for the second quarter of 2003 of \$2 million compared to an operating loss of \$7 million for the same period of 2002. The operating loss for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$2 million, compared to no operating income for the same period of 2002.

DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

During the second quarter of 2003, the company sold its remaining investment in Argentina, a 90 percent interest in Edese, an electric utility distribution company. Through this sale, the company completed its strategy of exiting Latin America. In addition, the company is negotiating to sell CenterPoint Energy Management Services, Inc. (CEMS), which provides district cooling to businesses in the downtown Houston area. In the second quarter of 2003, the company recorded a \$3 million loss in discontinued operations related to exiting Latin America and a \$16 million impairment related to CEMS.

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In the second quarter of 2002, the company reported income from discontinued operations of \$150 million primarily related to RRI's results.

2003 OUTLOOK

CenterPoint Energy confirms its 2003 earnings guidance of \$0.85 to \$1.00 per diluted share from continuing operations. This reflects the company's outlook for continued solid operational performance by its business segments.

WEBCAST OF EARNINGS CONFERENCE CALL

CenterPoint Energy's management will host an earnings conference call on Tuesday July 29, 2003, at 10:30 a.m. Central time. Interested parties may listen to a live, audio broadcast of the conference call at www.CenterPointEnergy.com/investors/events. A replay of the call can be accessed approximately two hours after the completion of the call, and will be archived on the web site for at least one year.

The management of Texas Genco, the company's 81 percent owned subsidiary, will host an earnings conference call on Tuesday July 29, 2003, at 9:00 a.m. Central time. Interested parties may listen to a live, audio broadcast of the conference call at www.txgenco.com/investor.html. A replay of the call can be accessed approximately two hours after the completion of the call, and will be archived on the web site for at least one year.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a domestic energy delivery company that includes electric transmission & distribution, natural gas distribution and sales, interstate pipeline and gathering operations, and more than 14,000 megawatts of power generation in Texas. The company serves nearly five million metered customers primarily in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas. Assets total approximately \$20 billion. CenterPoint Energy became the new holding company for the regulated operations of the former Reliant Energy, Incorporated in August 2002. With more than 11,000 employees, CenterPoint Energy and its predecessor companies have been in business for more than 130 years.

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This news release includes forward-looking statements. Actual events and results may differ materially from those projected. Factors that could affect actual results include the timing and impact of future regulatory and legislative decisions, effects of competition, weather variations, changes in CenterPoint Energy's or its subsidiaries' business plans, financial market conditions, the timing and extent of changes in commodity prices, particularly natural gas and other factors discussed in CenterPoint Energy's and its subsidiaries' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Statements of Consolidated Income (Thousands of Dollars) (Unaudited)

Quarter
Ended June
Ended June 30, Six
Months
Ended June
20
30,
2003
2002 2003
2002 2003 2002
- Revenues:
- Kevenues.
Electric
Transmission
&
Distribution
\$ 481,772 \$
528,350 \$
929,175 \$
1,096,403
Electric
Concration
Generation
578,511
413,648
937,098
739, 295
Natural Gas
Distribution
970,576
970,570
796,722
3,015,327 1,976,595
1,976,595
Pipelines
and
Gathering
121,716
102,408
220 021
230,824 194,351
Other
Operations
9,322 6,955
18,252
13,946
Eliminations
(70,997)
(49,659)
(139,608)
(139,000)
(144,776) -
Total
2,090,900
1,798,424
4,991,068
3,875,814 -
Expenses:

cost of gas

sold 1,080,857 862,058 2,940,003 1,904,620 Purchased power 22,974 4,258 34,968 52,624 **Operation** and maintenance 393,085 372,505 805,961 760,467 Depreciation and amortization 157,263 151,072 309,544 299,481 Taxes other than income taxes 90,691 119,134 193,535 217,285 --------------- -------- Total 1,744,870 1,509,027 4,284,011 3,234,477 ------_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ - -------------**Operating** Income 346,030 289,397 707,057 . 641,337 -------------------- -------- Other Income (Expense) : Gain (loss) on AOL Time Warner investment 113,178 (230,214) 64,704 (447,811) Gain (loss) on indexed debt securities (98,253) 218,723 (55, 550)421,956 Interest (215,087) (139, 847)(439,081)(257, 599)Distribution

on trust preferred securities (13, 899)(13, 850)(13,000) (27,797) (27,749) Other - net 1,629 7,664 4,788 14,788 ---------------------- ------- Total (212, 432)(157,524) (452, 936)(296, 415) ------------ ---------- - - - -Income from Continuing **Operations** Before Income Taxes, Minority Interest and Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change 133,598 131,873 254,121 344,922 Income Tax Expense (44, 346)(45, 744)(85,455) (113, 914)Minority Interest (6,295) (7) (4,229) 4 -. ------ -------------Income from Continuing **Operations** Before Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change 82,957 86,122 164,437 231,012 Discontinued Operations: Income from Reliant Resources, net of tax -- 147,849 -- 34,450 Income (loss) from Other Operations,

net of tax (403) 1,674 (865) 1,788 Loss on disposal of . Other Operations, net of tax (19,331) --(11,989) --- -----------------Total (19,734)149,523 (12, 854)36,238 --------------- ------ - -Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change, net of minority interest and tax ---- 80,072 -- ------------------ -------Net Income Attributable to Common Shareholders \$ 63,223 \$ 235,645 \$ 231,655 \$ 267,250 ============ _____ ============

Reference is made to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements contained in the Current Report on Form 8-K of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. dated May 12, 2003.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Selected Data From Statements of Consolidated Income (Thousands of Dollars, Except Per Share Amounts) (Unaudited)

Quarter
Ended Six
Ended Six Months Ended
June 30,
June 30,
June 30,
2003 2002
2003 2002
Basic
Earnings Per
Common
Share:
Income from
Continuing
Operations
boforo
before
Cumulative
Effect of
Accounting
Change \$
0.27 \$ 0.29
0.2/ J 0.29
\$ 0.54 \$ 0.78
0.78
Discontinued
Operations:
Income from
Reliant
Resources,
not of toy
net of tax -
- 0.49
0.11 Income
(Loss) from
O ther
Operations,
net of tax -
- 0.01
0.01 Loss on
Disposal of
0ther
Operations,
net of tax
(0.06)
(0.00) = -
(0.04)
(0.04) Cumulative
(0.04) Cumulative Effect of
(0.04) Cumulative Effect of Accounting
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298,471 304,149 297,934 OPERATING INCOME (LOSS) BY SEGMENT Electric Transmission & Distribution: Transmission & Distribution Operations \$ 133,316 \$ 105,028 \$ 206,954 \$ 217,598 ECOM True-up 101,318 169,777 233,281 310,785 -------- ------- --- ---------- - - - - - - - - - - -Total Electric Transmission & Distribution 234,634 274,805 440,235 528,383 Electric Generation 50,044 (29,122) 32,928 (80, 878)Natural Gas Distribution 20,951 11,223 150,512 117,695 Pipelines and Gathering 42,355 38,988 85,249 75,926 Other **Operations** (1, 954)(6, 497)(1,867) 211 - - - - - - - - ----------------Total \$ 346,030 \$ 289,397 \$ 707,057 \$ 641,337 ============= ================ ============ =============

(1) Includes a dividend declared on June 18, 2003 payable on September 10, 2003.

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CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Results of Operations by Segment (Millions of Dollars) (Unaudited)

ELECTRIC
TRANSMISSION
&
DISTRIBUTION
Quarter
Ended June
Ended June 30, Six
Months
Ended June
30,
% Diff
Diff
%
Diff 2003
2002
Fav/(Unfav)
2003 2002
Fav/(Unfav)
RESULTS OF
OPERATIONS:
Operating
Revenues:
Electric
revenues \$
381 \$ 358
6% \$ 696 \$ 785 (11%)
ECOM true-
up 101 170 (41%) 233
(41%) 233
311 (25%) -
Total
Revenues
482 528
482 528 (9%) 929 1,096 (15%)
1,096 (15%)
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Operating
Expenses:
Fuel and
purchased
power
(4) (100%)
56 100%
Operation
and
maintenance
maintenance 126 130 3% 259 270 4%

Depreciation and amortization 68 66 (3%) 133 130 (2%) Taxes other than income 53 61 13% 97 112 13% ------- ------- ------- -------Total 247 253 2% 489 568 14% ------- ------- ------- -------**Operating** Income \$ 235 \$ 275 (15%) \$ 440 \$ 528 (17%) ========= ========== ========== _____ ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION Quarter Ended June 30, Six Months Ended June 30, OPERATING DATA: -------------- --------ACTUAL MWH DELIVERED 2003 2002 2003 2002 ----- ---------- -_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ Residential 6,490,357 6,295,795 3% 11,048,552 10,769,260 3% WEATHER (AVERAGE FOR SERVICE AREA): Percentage of normal: Cooling degree days 118% 108% 10% 110% 108% 2% Heating degree days n/a n/a n/a 111% 100% 11% AVERAGE NUMBER OF METERED CUSTOMERS:

Residential 1,585,815 1,539,193 3% 1,581,465 1,535,499 3% Commercial and Industrial 221,620 211,770 5% 221,364 211,527 5%
Total
1,807,435 1,750,963
3% 1,802,829
1,747,026 3%
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ELECTRIC
GENERATION
GENERATION
Quarter
Ended June 30, Six
30, Six
Months

Ended June 30, --------- % Diff --------------- % Diff 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) ----------- ------ ------ ------ - - -RESULTS OF **OPERATIONS:** Operating Revenues: Energy revenues \$ 378 \$ 307 23% \$ 602 \$ 547 10% Capacity and other revenues 200 107 87% 335 192 74% ---------------

Total 578 414 40% 937 739 27% ------- ------- ------- -------**Operating** Expenses: Fuel and purchased power 372 299 (24%) 592 528 (12%) **Operation** and maintenance 105 79 (33%) 211 174 (21%) Depreciation and amortization 39 39 -- 78 79 1% Taxes other than income 12 26 54% 23 39 41% --------------------Total 528 443 (19%) 904 820 (10%) ------------------- - - - -**Operating** Income (Loss) \$ 50 \$ (29) 272% \$ 33 \$ (81) 141% ========= ========= ========== ========== PHYSICAL ELECTRIC GENERATION POWER SALES (MWH) 12,517,490 14,643,805 (15%) 21,793,836 26,447,104 (18%)

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CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Results of Operations by Segment (Millions of Dollars) (Unaudited)

NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION
Quarter Ended June
Ended June 30, Six
Months Ended June 30,
June 30,
% Diff %
Diff 2003
2002 Fav/(Unfav)
2003 2002
Fav/(Unfav) -
RESULTS 0F
OPERATIONS:
Operating Revenues \$
Revenues \$ 971 \$ 797 22%
\$ 3,015 \$ 1,977 53%
- Operating
Expenses:
Natural gas 761 604 (26%)
2,455 1,488
(65%) Operation and
maintenance
137 125 (10%) 284 256 (11%)
Depreciation
and amortization
34 32 (6%) 67
62 (8%) Taxes other than
income 18 25 28% 58 53
(9%)
Total 950 786 (21%) 2,864
1,859 (54%) -
Operating
Income \$ 21 \$
11 91% \$ 151 \$ 118 28%
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========= NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION OPERATING DATA: THROUGHPUT DATA IN BCF Residential and Commercial 36 49 (27%) 192 181 6% Industrial 12 13 (8%) 24 24 - -Transportation 11 13 (15%) 26 28 (7%) Non-rate regulated commercial and industrial 111 96 16% 245 217 13% ----- ---------------- Total Throughput 170 171 (1%) 487 450 8% ========== _____ ========= _____ WEATHER (AVERAGE FOR SERVICE AREA) Percentage of normal: Heating degree days 89% 114% (25%) 104% 99% 5% AVERAGE NUMBER OF CUSTOMERS: Residential 2,746,489 2,720,237 1% 2,758,274 2,722,974 1% Commercial and Industrial 250,086 249,131 --251,366 249,670 1% ----------------- Total 2,996,575 2,969,368 1% 3,009,640 2,972,644 1% ========== =========== ========= ==========

PIPELINES AND GATHERING ---

---------Quarter Ended June 30, Six Months Ended June 30, -------------- % Diff --------- % Diff 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) ----- -------------------------- RESULTS 0F **OPERATIONS: Operating** Revenues \$ 122 \$ 102 20% \$ 231 \$ 194 19% ------ -------- --- -------**Operating** Expenses: Natural gas 35 10 (250%) 56 17 (229%) Operation and maintenance 30 38 21% 60 72 17% Depreciation and amortization 11 10 (10%) 21 20 (5%) Taxes other than income 4 5 20% 9 9 ------ --- ---------------- Total 80 63 (27%) 146 118 (24%) -------- --------------- Operating Income \$ 42 \$ 39 8% \$ 85 \$ 76 12% ========== ========== ========= =========== PIPELINES AND GATHERING OPERATING DATA: THROUGHPUT DATA IN BCF Natural Gas Sales 4 5 (20%) 8 10 (20%) Transportation 203 205 (1%) 471 443 6% Gathering 74 70 6% 146 141

4% Elimination (2) (1) (100%) (4) (1) (300%)
Total
Throughput
279 279
621 593 5%
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CenterPoint Energy, Inc. and Subsidiaries Results of Operations by Segment (Millions of Dollars) (Unaudited)

OTHER **OPERATIONS** --Quarter Ended June 30, Six Months Ended June 30, --------- % Diff ---------------% Diff 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) 2003 2002 Fav/(Unfav) ----------------- ------------------RESULTS OF OPERATIONS: Operating Revenues \$ 9 \$ 7 29% \$ 18 \$ 14 29% **Operating** Expenses 11 14 21% 20 14 (43%) ------------ ------ ------**Operating** Loss \$ (2) \$ (7) 71% \$ (2) \$ --- -========== ==========

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