FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CAMPBELL DONALD R  2. Date of Event Requiring Stateme (Month/Day/Year) 06/02/2005				nent	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [ CNP ]							
(Last)					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
(Street)					Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON	TX	77002									y More than One	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						nt of Securities ally Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
Common Stock						10,000	D					
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)  2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				ate	3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur		ity (Instr. 4) Conve		ercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivation Security	ative	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Donald R. Campbell 06/09/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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