FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Nesbitt Martin H.					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [ CNP ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) 1111 LO	(Fir	st) (M	Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/02/2022								Officer (give title Other (specil below) below)					
(Street) HOUST(	ON TX	ate) (Z	7002 Zip)		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Li	i. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine)  X 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																	
Date			2. Transacti Date (Month/Day	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acq Disposed Of (D) ( 5)				Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owners (1)				
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 05/02/2			05/02/20	)22		A		5,129(1)	A	\$0	11,	,476 Г		D				
Common Stock											19,	19,096		I	By limited liability company <sup>(2)</sup>			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security (Instr. 3)  2.		ition Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Expiration D		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securitie Benefici Owned Followin Reporter Transact (Instr. 4)	e Owners Form: Direct (I or Indirect I		Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A) (D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares of common stock granted under the Issuer's Stock Plan for Outside Directors, as amended and restated.
- 2. These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned by the Reporting Person, but were contributed on or around September 1, 2020 to a limited liability company, for which the Reporting Person is the sole manager. The sole member of said limited liability company is a grantor retained annuity trust, for which the Reporting Person is the sole trustee and annuitant.

## Remarks:

Vincent A. Mercaldi, 05/04/2022 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* 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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