

Texas Genco sets 2004 annual shareholder meeting and declares \$.25 quarterly dividend

HOUSTON - February 5, 2004 - The Board of Directors of Texas Genco Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:TGN), a majority-owned subsidiary of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP), announced that the Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held on Thursday, May 13, 2004, at 9 a.m. CDT in the auditorium of the company's headquarters, 1111 Louisiana Street, Houston, Texas. Shareholders who hold shares of Texas Genco as of March 15, 2004, will receive notice of the meeting and be eligible to vote.

The Board also declared its quarterly cash dividend of \$.25 per share of common stock, payable on March 19, 2004, to holders of record as of the close of business on Feb. 26, 2004.

Texas Genco Holdings, Inc., based in Houston, Texas, is one of the largest wholesale electric power generating companies in the United States with over 14,000 megawatts of generation capacity, of which nearly 3,000 megawatts are in mothball status. It sells electric generation capacity, energy and ancillary services in one of the nation's largest power markets, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT). Texas Genco has one of the most diversified generation portfolios in Texas, using natural gas, oil, coal, lignite, and uranium fuels. The company owns and operates 60 generating units at 11 electric power-generating facilities and owns a 30.8 percent interest in a nuclear generating plant. Texas Genco currently is a majority-owned subsidiary of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE:CNP). For more information, visit our web site at www.txgenco.com.

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