

UNITED STATES
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): OCTOBER 21, 2003

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

TEXAS
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-31447
(Commission File Number)

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 THIRD QUARTER 2003 RESULTS

On October 21, 2003, CenterPoint Energy, Inc. ("CenterPoint Energy") reported third quarter 2003 earnings. For additional information regarding CenterPoint Energy's third 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 October 21, 2003 regarding CenterPoint Energy's third 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.

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: October 21, 2003

By: /s/ James S. Brian

James S. Brian
Senior Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

EXHIBIT NUMBER	EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION
----- 99.1	----- Press Release issued October 21, 2003 regarding CenterPoint Energy's third quarter 2003 earnings

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CENTERPOINT ENERGY REPORTS IMPROVED THIRD QUARTER 2003 RESULTS
COMPANY RAISES 2003 EPS ESTIMATE

HOUSTON - OCTOBER 21, 2003 - CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP) today reported income from continuing operations of \$183 million, or \$0.60 per diluted share for the quarter ended September 30, 2003. This compares to income from continuing operations of \$162 million, or \$0.54 per diluted share for the third quarter of 2002.

The company's net income for the third quarter of 2003 was \$182 million, or \$0.59 per diluted share, compared to a loss of \$4.1 billion, or \$13.77 per diluted share, for the same period of 2002. During the third quarter of 2002, the company recorded a loss from discontinued operations of \$4.3 billion primarily related to the distribution of Reliant Resources, Inc. (RRI) to CenterPoint Energy shareholders on September 30, 2002. RRI's historical results are also reported as discontinued operations.

"I'm pleased to report improved operating results which reflect the continued strong performance of our core operating units and the significant contributions from Texas Genco and the ECOM true-up formula," said David McClanahan, president and chief executive officer of CenterPoint Energy. "I'm also pleased with the progress we continue to make operationally and in executing our strategy.

"We have also further enhanced our financial flexibility and liquidity," said McClanahan. "We continued to access the capital markets during the third quarter, and so far this year we have raised over \$3.5 billion. We used these proceeds to repay maturing debt, refinance higher coupon debt, pay down the company's bank facilities and enhance our liquidity."

For the nine months ended September 30, 2003, income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting change was \$347 million, or \$1.14 per diluted share, compared to \$393 million, or \$1.32 per diluted share for the same period of 2002.

Net income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$413 million, or \$1.35 per diluted share compared to a loss of \$3.9 billion, or \$12.92 per diluted share for the first nine months of 2002. During the first nine months of 2003, the company recorded a gain of \$80 million relating to the implementation of SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations" and a \$14 million loss from discontinued operations primarily related to the company's planned sale of its energy management services business. The first nine months of 2002 included a loss from discontinued operations of \$4.3 billion primarily related the distribution of RRI stock to shareholders.

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2003 OUTLOOK

Based on the year-to-date results of the company's core operating units, the significant contributions from Texas Genco and the ECOM true-up formula, and expectations of solid performance for the balance of the year, CenterPoint Energy raised its 2003 guidance for earnings from continuing operations to \$1.30-\$1.40 per diluted share from its prior guidance of \$0.85 - \$1.00 per diluted share.

THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

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

- o improved operating income of \$118 million from our 81 percent-owned subsidiary, Texas Genco Holdings, Inc. (NYSE:TGN), partially offset by an \$18 million reduction in ECOM
- o continued customer growth with the addition of nearly 90,000 metered electric and gas customers since September of 2002, or an annualized 2 percent growth
- o an increase in revenues of \$6 million from rate increases in the natural gas distribution operations
- o an increase in interest expense of \$53 million
- o higher pension, employee benefit and insurance costs of \$23 million
- o a reduction in capital expenditures of \$22 million

Significant events since the second quarter include:

- o raising \$500 million in the capital markets and using the proceeds to reduce the company's bank credit facility to \$2.35 billion
- o replacing the company's \$2.35 billion bank credit facility with a new, lower-cost 3-year facility, composed of a \$1.425 billion bank revolver and a \$925 million term loan from institutional investors

OPERATING INCOME BY SEGMENT DETAILED

ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION & DISTRIBUTION

The electric transmission & distribution segment reported operating income of \$383 million in the third quarter of 2003 consisting of \$161 million for the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$222 million associated with generation-related regulatory assets, or Excess Cost Over Market (ECOM), as described below. For the third quarter of 2002, operating income was \$399 million, consisting of \$159 million from the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$240 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 50,000 metered customers since September 2002. Operating expenses increased from the comparable period of 2002 as higher pension and employee benefit expenses were partially offset by the absence of certain non-recurring expenses related to the transition to the deregulated market in 2002.

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 in the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC) mandated auctions and the prices used in the ECOM model established by the PUC. During 2002 and 2003, this difference, referred to as ECOM, produces non-cash income and is recorded as a regulatory asset. Beginning in 2004, this ECOM calculation no longer applies. The reduction in ECOM of \$18 million from 2002 to 2003 resulted primarily from an increase in capacity auction prices at Texas Genco.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$823 million, consisting of \$368 million from the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$455 million from ECOM. This compares to \$927 million for the same period of 2002 consisting of \$376 million from the regulated electric transmission & distribution utility and non-cash operating income of \$551 million from ECOM.

ELECTRIC GENERATION

Texas Genco owns over 14,000 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 \$125 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to operating income of \$7 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. Energy revenues also increased, which more than offset an increase in fuel costs. Operation and maintenance expenses increased by \$2 million due to higher pension and employee benefit expenses and costs associated with unplanned outages at Unit 1 of the South Texas Project nuclear facility and at Unit 8 of the W. A. Parish coal plant, which were partially offset by a reduction in technical support costs. Both units were returned to full service during the quarter. Texas Genco estimated that the added cost of replacement energy associated with the unplanned outages negatively impacted gross margin by approximately \$35 million for the quarter. Texas Genco also indicated that some level of unplanned outages can be expected in the business.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$158 million, compared to an operating loss of \$74 million for the same period of 2002.

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NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION

The natural gas distribution segment reported an operating loss of \$5 million for the third quarter of 2003 compared to the prior year's third quarter operating loss of \$4 million. Due to seasonal impacts, operating results for the third quarter are typically the weakest of the year.

Continued customer growth and higher revenues from rate increases implemented in 2002 did not completely offset higher expenses primarily related to increased pension and employee benefit expenses, depreciation and other taxes. In addition, the costs associated with a receivables facility, which was modified in November 2002, reduced operating income by \$2 million, whereas prior to the amendment, these costs were included in interest expense.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$146 million, compared to \$114 million for the same period of 2002.

PIPELINES AND GATHERING

The pipelines and gathering segment reported operating income of \$39 million in the third quarter of 2003 compared to \$43 million for the same period of 2002. The decline was primarily related to higher pension, employee benefit and other miscellaneous expenses.

Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$124 million, compared to \$119 million for the same period of 2002.

Other Operations

The company's other operations reported operating income for the third quarter of 2003 of \$7 million compared to an operating loss of \$14 million for the same period of 2002. Operating income for the nine months ended September 30, 2003 was \$5 million, compared to an operating loss of \$13 million for the same period of 2002.

WEBCAST OF EARNINGS CONFERENCE CALL

CenterPoint Energy's management will host an earnings conference call on Tuesday Oct. 21, 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 Oct. 21, 2003, at 9 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.

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This news release includes forward-looking statements. Actual events and results may differ materially from those projected. The statements in this news release regarding future financial performance and results of operations and other statements that are not historical facts are forward-looking statements. 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, the impact of unplanned facility outages and other factors discussed in CenterPoint Energy's and its subsidiaries' Form 10-Qs for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2003 and other filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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

Quarter
 Ended Nine
 Months
 Ended
 September
 30,
 September
 30, -----

-- 2003
 2002 2003
 2002 -----

Revenues:
 Electric
 Transmission
 &
 Distribution
 \$ 653,438 \$
 660,342 \$
 1,582,613 \$
 1,756,744
 Electric
 Generation
 657,363
 526,388
 1,594,461
 1,265,683
 Natural Gas
 Distribution
 897,392
 680,917
 3,912,719
 2,657,512
 Pipelines
 and
 Gathering
 89,083
 87,448
 319,907
 281,799
 Other
 Operations
 7,615 6,740
 25,867
 20,686
 Eliminations
 (54,673)
 (45,048)
 (194,281)
 (189,824) -

Total
 2,250,218
 1,916,787
 7,241,286
 5,792,600 -

Expenses:
 Fuel and
 cost of gas

sold	
1,033,601	
810,679	
3,973,604	
2,715,299	
Purchased	
power	
20,259	
34,592	
55,227	
87,216	
Operation	
and	
maintenance	
392,172	
385,484	
1,198,133	
1,145,951	
Depreciation	
and	
amortization	
160,250	
160,136	
469,794	
459,616	
Taxes other	
than income	
taxes	
95,212	
94,565	
288,747	
311,850	---

Total	
1,701,494	
1,485,456	
5,985,505	
4,719,932	-

Operating	
Income	
548,724	
431,331	
1,255,781	
1,072,668	-

Other	
Income	
(Expense) :	
Gain (loss)	
on AOL Time	
Warner	
investment	
(21,207)	
(82,189)	
43,497	
(530,000)	
Gain (loss)	
on indexed	
debt	
securities	
17,040	
86,622	
(38,510)	
508,578	
Interest	
(236,957)	
(170,270)	
(676,038)	
(427,870)	
Distribution	
on trust	

preferred securities
-- (13,898)
(27,797)
(41,647)
Other - net
1,919 3,134
6,707
17,922 ----

Total
(239,205)
(176,601)
(692,141)
(473,017) -

Income from Continuing Operations Before Income Taxes, Minority Interest and Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change
309,519
254,730
563,640
599,651
Income Tax Expense
(110,799)
(92,835)
(196,254)
(206,748)
Minority Interest
(15,686)
(8)
(19,915)
(4) -----

Income from Continuing Operations Before Cumulative Effect of Accounting Change
183,034
161,887
347,471
392,899

Discontinued Operations:
Income from Reliant Resources, net of tax
-- 47,708 -
- 82,157
Income (loss) from Other Operations, net of tax
(1,212)

(436)
 (2,077)
 1,352 Loss
 on disposal
 of Reliant
 Resources -
 -
 (4,333,652)
 --
 (4,333,652)
 Loss on
 disposal of
 Other
 Operations,
 net of tax
 (97) --
 (12,086) --

 Total
 (1,309)
 (4,286,380)
 (14,163)
 (4,250,143)

 Cumulative
 Effect of
 Accounting
 Change, net
 of minority
 interest
 and tax --
 -- 80,072 -

 ----- Net
 Income
 (Loss)
 Attributable
 to Common
 Shareholders
 \$ 181,725
 \$(4,124,493)
 \$ 413,380
 \$(3,857,244)
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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.

to Common
Shareholders
\$ 0.60 \$
(13.80) \$
1.36 \$
(12.96)

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Diluted
Earnings Per
Common
Share:

Income from
Continuing
Operations
before
Cumulative
Effect of
Accounting
Change \$
0.60 \$ 0.54
\$ 1.14 \$
1.32

Discontinued
Operations:
Income from
Reliant
Resources,
net of tax -
- 0.16 --
0.27 Income
(Loss) from
Other
Operations,
net of tax
(0.01) --
(0.01) --
Loss on
Disposal of
Reliant
Resources --
(14.47) --
(14.51) Loss
on Disposal
of Other
Operations,
net of tax -
- -- (0.04)
--

Cumulative
Effect of
Accounting
Change, net
of minority
interest and
tax -- --
0.26 -- ----

Net Income
(Loss)
Attributable
to Common
Shareholders
\$ 0.59 \$
(13.77) \$
1.35 \$
(12.92)

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Dividends
Declared per
Common Share
\$ --(1) \$
0.16 \$

0.30(1) \$
 0.91
 Weighted
 Average
 Common
 Shares
 Outstanding
 (000): - -
 Basic
 305,007
 298,794
 303,261
 297,580 - -
 Diluted
 307,345
 299,629
 305,415
 298,608
 OPERATING
 INCOME
 (LOSS) BY
 SEGMENT
 Electric
 Transmission
 &
 Distribution:
 Transmission
 &
 Distribution
 Operations \$
 161,199 \$
 158,723 \$
 368,153 \$
 376,321 ECOM
 True-up
 221,502
 240,325
 454,783
 551,110 ----

 Total
 Electric
 Transmission
 &
 Distribution
 382,701
 399,048
 822,936
 927,431
 Electric
 Generation
 124,546
 6,712
 157,474
 (74,166)
 Natural Gas
 Distribution
 (4,705)
 (3,644)
 145,807
 114,051
 Pipelines
 and
 Gathering
 39,022
 42,826
 124,271
 118,752
 Other
 Operations
 7,160
 (13,611)
 5,293
 (13,400) ---

Total \$
548,724 \$
431,331 \$
1,255,781 \$
1,072,668
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- (1) The third quarter dividend of \$0.10 per share was declared on June 18, 2003 and was paid on September 10, 2003.

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
 Results of Operations by Segment
 (Millions of Dollars)
 (Unaudited)

ELECTRIC
 TRANSMISSION
 &
 DISTRIBUTION

 Quarter
 Ended
 September
 30, Nine
 Months
 Ended
 September
 30, -----

----- %
 Diff -----

 --- % Diff
 2003 2002
 Fav/(Unfav)
 2003 2002
 Fav/(Unfav)

RESULTS OF
 OPERATIONS:
 Operating
 Revenues:
 Electric
 revenues \$
 432 \$ 420
 3% \$ 1,128
 \$ 1,206
 (6%) ECOM
 true-up 222
 240 (8%)
 455 551
 (17%) -----

 Total
 Revenues
 654 660
 (1%) 1,583
 1,757 (10%)

 Operating
 Expenses:
 Fuel and
 purchased
 power -- --
 -- -- 56
 100%
 Operation
 and
 maintenance

139 130
 (7%) 398
 401 1%
 Depreciation
 and
 amortization
 70 75 7%
 203 204 --
 Taxes other
 than income
 62 56 (11%)
 159 169 6%

 Total 271
 261 (4%)
 760 830 8%

 Operating
 Income \$
 383 \$ 399
 (4%) \$ 823
 \$ 927 (11%)
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 =====

ELECTRIC
 TRANSMISSION
 & Quarter
 Ended
 September
 30, Nine
 Months
 Ended
 September
 30,
 DISTRIBUTION

OPERATING
 DATA: -----

 2003 2002
 2003 2002 -

ACTUAL MWH
 DELIVERED
 Residential
 8,134,198
 7,966,132
 2%
 19,182,750
 18,735,392
 2% WEATHER
 (AVERAGE
 FOR SERVICE
 AREA):
 Percentage
 of normal:
 Cooling
 degree days
 96% 98%
 (2%) 102%
 102% --
 Heating
 degree days
 n/a n/a n/a

111% 99%
 12% AVERAGE
 NUMBER OF
 METERED
 CUSTOMERS:
 Residential
 1,600,998
 1,549,909
 3%
 1,587,976
 1,540,302
 3%
 Commercial
 and
 Industrial
 220,420
 216,680 2%
 221,049
 213,245 4%

 Total
 1,821,418
 1,766,589
 3%
 1,809,025
 1,753,547
 3%
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 =====

ELECTRIC
 GENERATION

 Quarter
 Ended
 September
 30, Nine
 Months
 Ended
 September
 30, -----

 % Diff ----

 % Diff 2003
 2002
 Fav/(Unfav)
 2003 2002
 Fav/(Unfav)

RESULTS OF
 OPERATIONS:
 Operating
 Revenues:
 Energy
 revenues \$
 404 \$ 346
 17% \$ 1,006

\$ 894	13%
Capacity and other revenues	
253 180	41%
588 372	58%

Total	657
526	25%
1,594	1,266
26%	-----

Operating Expenses:	
Fuel and purchased power	386
372	(4%)
978	901
	(9%)
Operation and maintenance	100 98 (2%)
311	272
	(14%)
Depreciation and amortization	41 39 (5%)
119	118
	(1%)
Taxes other than income	5 10
50%	28 49
43%	-----

Total	532
519	(3%)
1,436	1,340
(7%)	-----

- Operating Income (Loss)	\$
125	\$ 7 --
\$ 158	\$
(74)	314%
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PHYSICAL ELECTRIC GENERATION POWER SALES (MWH)	
14,533,513	
15,475,590	
	(6%)
36,327,349	
41,922,693	
	(13%)

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 (Millions of Dollars)
 (Unaudited)

NATURAL GAS
 DISTRIBUTION

Quarter Ended
 September 30,
 Nine Months
 Ended
 September 30,

- % Diff ----

- % Diff 2003
 2002

Fav/(Unfav)
 2003 2002
 Fav/(Unfav) -

----- RESULTS
 OF
 OPERATIONS:

Operating
 Revenues \$
 897 \$ 681 32%
 \$ 3,913 \$
 2,658 47% ---

Operating
 Expenses:
 Natural gas
 713 509 (40%)
 3,168 1,997
 (59%)

Operation and
 maintenance
 133 125 (6%)
 417 381 (9%)
 Depreciation
 and
 amortization
 34 32 (6%)
 101 94 (7%)
 Taxes other
 than income
 22 19 (16%)
 81 72 (13%) -

----- Total
 902 685 (32%)
 3,767 2,544
 (48%) -----

- Operating
 Income (Loss)
 \$ (5) \$ (4)

(25%) \$ 146 \$
114 28%

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NATURAL GAS
DISTRIBUTION
OPERATING
DATA:

THROUGHPUT
DATA IN BCF
Residential
and
Commercial 32
35 (9%) 224
216 4%
Industrial 12
9 33% 36 33
9%

Transportation
10 14 (29%)
36 42 (14%)
Non-rate
regulated
commercial
and
industrial
120 130 (8%)
365 346 5% --

----- Total
Throughput
174 188 (7%)
661 637 4%

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WEATHER
(AVERAGE FOR
SERVICE AREA)
Percentage of
normal:
Heating
degree days
101% 68% 33%
104% 99% 5%

AVERAGE
NUMBER OF
CUSTOMERS:
Residential
2,732,165
2,695,432 1%
2,749,571
2,713,793 1%
Commercial
and
Industrial
247,770
244,631 1%
250,170
249,013 -- --

----- Total
2,979,935
2,940,063 1%
2,999,741
2,962,806 1%

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GATHERING ---

Quarter Ended
September 30,
Nine Months
Ended
September 30,

- % Diff ----

- % Diff 2003
2002

Fav/(Unfav)
2003 2002
Fav/(Unfav) -

RESULTS OF
OPERATIONS:

Operating
Revenues \$ 89
\$ 88 1% \$ 320
\$ 282 13% ---

Operating
Expenses:
Natural gas 5
3 (67%) 62 20
(210%)

Operation and
maintenance
31 27 (15%)
90 99 9%

Depreciation
and
amortization
10 11 9% 31
31 -- Taxes
other than
income 4 4 --
13 13 -- ----

Total 50 45
(11%) 196 163
(20%) -----

Operating
Income \$ 39 \$
43 (9%) \$ 124
\$ 119 4%

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PIPELINES AND
GATHERING
OPERATING
DATA:
THROUGHPUT
DATA IN BCF

Natural Gas			
Sales	1	1	--
	9	12	(25%)
Transportation			
	159	192	(17%)
	630	633	--
Gathering	73		
	72	1%	219 213
		3%	
Elimination	-		
	-	(1)	100%
		(4)	(2)
	(100%)	-----	

-----	Total		
	Throughput		
	233	264	(12%)
	854	856	--
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	=====		
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 (Millions of Dollars)
 (Unaudited)

OTHER
 OPERATIONS

Quarter
 Ended
 September
 30, Nine
 Months
 Ended
 September
 30, -----

----- %
 Diff -----

--- % Diff
 2003 2002
 Fav/(Unfav)
 2003 2002
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RESULTS OF
 OPERATIONS:

Operating
 Revenues \$
 8 \$ 7 14% \$
 26 \$ 21 24%
 Operating
 Expenses 1
 21 95% 21
 34 38% ----

 Operating
 Income
 (Loss) \$ 7
 \$ (14) 150%
 \$ 5 \$ (13)
 138%

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Reference is made to the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements
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 CenterPoint Energy, Inc. dated May 12, 2003.