

Webcast Alert: CenterPoint Energy Hosts Webcast of First Quarter 2004 Earnings Conference Call

HOUSTON, Apr 21, 2004 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via Comtex/ -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP) will host a live webcast of its conference call to present its first quarter 2004 results on Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. Central time / 11:30 a.m. Eastern time.

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What:	CenterPoint Energy First Quarter 2004 Earnings Conference Call Webcast
When:	Thursday, April 22, 2004 at 10:30 a.m. Central time / 11:30 a.m. Eastern time
Where:	www.CenterPointEnergy.com/investors/events Click the link, "CenterPoint Energy, Inc. First Quarter 2004 Earnings Conference Call"
How:	Live over the Internet Simply log on to the web at the address above.
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CenterPoint Energy, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a domestic energy delivery company that includes electric transmission and distribution, natural gas distribution and sales, interstate pipeline and gathering operations, and more than 14,000 megawatts of power generation in Texas, of which nearly 3,000 megawatts are currently in mothball status. The company serves nearly five million customers primarily in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas. Assets total \$21 billion. With more than 11,000 employees, CenterPoint Energy and its predecessor companies have been in business for more than 130 years. For more information, visit the Web site at www.CenterPointEnergy.com.

The webcast will be archived at http://www.centerpointenergy.com , or http://www.prnewswire.com for at least one year.

(Minimum Requirements to listen to broadcast: The Windows Media Player software, downloadable free from http://www.microsoft.com/windows/windowsmedia/EN/default.asp and at least a 28.8Kbps connection to the Internet. If you experience problems listening to the broadcast, send an email to webcastsupport@tfprn.com).

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