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*     Colvin Kristie					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC [ CNP ]									(Chec	k all app Direc	licable)	ng Person(s) to Is 10% O Other (		wner
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(Street)			7002		4. If A	Amend	ment,	Date o	f Origina	l Filed	d (Month/Da	y/Year)		6. Indi Line)	Form	filed by On	o Filing (Check Applicate e Reporting Person re than One Reporting		on
(City)	(St		Zip)		<u> </u>														
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran				2. Transac	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		d Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr.					) or 5. Amount of		unt of ties cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				()	
Common Stock				04/06/2	04/06/2020				A		1,584 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$	315.3	60	60,234		D	
Common Stock			04/06/2020					A		6,863(2)	A	\$	315.3	67,097 <sup>(3)</sup>		D			
Common Stock																50		I	By Savings Plan <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock																145		I	By son
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			on Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo	r osed ) r. 3, 4	6. Date Expirati (Month/	on Da	ear) Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ir 3 and 4)		int of rities rlying ative rity (Insi					10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code		(A)	(D)			Expiration Date	Title	or Numb of Share	er					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Time-based restricted stock units vesting (i) in February 2023 if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Issuer from the grant date through the vesting date; (ii) in the event of her earlier disability or death; (iii) in the event of her involuntary termination without cause; or (iv) on a pro-rata basis upon her earlier retirement unless she satisfies various conditions for full vesting.
- 2. Time-based restricted stock units vesting (i) in April 2023 if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Issuer from the grant date through the vesting date; (ii) in the event of her earlier disability or death; (iii) in the event of her involuntary termination without cause; or (iv) on a pro-rata basis upon her earlier retirement unless she satisfies various conditions for full vesting.
- 3. Total includes (i) 2,904 time-based restricted stock units ("RSUs") previously awarded under the Issuer's Long-term Incentive Plan (the "Plan") and vesting in February 2021, (ii) 2,737 RSUs previously awarded under the Plan and vesting in February 2022, and (iii) 3,396 RSUs previously awarded under the Plan and vesting in February 2023. The above awards shall vest (i) if the Reporting Person continues to be an employee of Issuer from grant date through vesting date and (ii) in the event of her disability or death. Also, the above awards shall vest on a pro-rata basis in the event of her retirement unless she satisfies various conditions for full vesting.
- 4. Equivalent shares held in CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Savings Plan.

## Remarks:

Vincent A. Mercaldi, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

04/08/2020

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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