



CenterPoint Energy to Present at AGA Financial Forum

Live Via Webcast on Monday, May 8, 2006 Approx. 1:20 p.m. Mountain Standard Time or 4:20 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time

HOUSTON, April 25, 2006 /PRNewswire-FirstCall via COMTEX News Network/ -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc.'s (NYSE: CNP) president and chief executive officer, David M. McClanahan, will present at the American Gas Association Financial Forum in Scottsdale, AZ on Monday, May 8, 2006.

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The live webcast of the presentation will begin at approximately 1:20 p.m. Mountain Standard Time or 4:20 p.m. Eastern Daylight Savings Time. You are invited to access the presentation on the Internet at <http://www.CenterPointEnergy.com> , in the Investors section. A replay of the presentation will be available shortly after the live webcast and will be archived for one year.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a domestic energy delivery company that includes electric transmission & distribution, natural gas distribution and sales, and interstate pipeline and gathering operations. The company serves more than five million metered customers primarily in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas. Assets total approximately \$17 billion. With about 9,000 employees, CenterPoint Energy and its predecessor companies have been in business for more than 130 years. For more information, visit the Web site at <http://www.CenterPointEnergy.com> .

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