

CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC  
Form 8-K  
April 30, 2018

**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): April 26, 2018**

**CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Texas**  
**(State or other jurisdiction**

**of incorporation)**

**1111 Louisiana**

**1-31447**  
**(Commission**

**File Number)**

**74-0694415**  
**(IRS Employer**

**Identification No.)**

**Houston, Texas**  
**(Address of principal executive offices)**

**77002**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 207-1111**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2).

Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.**

At the annual meeting of the shareholders of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. ( CenterPoint Energy ) held on April 26, 2018, the matters voted upon and the number of votes cast for or against, as well as the number of abstentions and broker non-votes as to such matters, were as stated below. The proposals related to each matter are described in detail in CenterPoint Energy's definitive proxy statement for the annual meeting, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 15, 2018.

**Election of Directors (Item 1)**

The following nominees for director were elected to serve one-year terms expiring at the 2019 annual meeting of shareholders, with the vote totals as set forth in the table below:

Nominee	For	Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
<b>Leslie D. Biddle</b>	312,886,688	3,547,204	795,317	50,480,049
<b>Milton Carroll</b>	306,593,117	9,854,996	781,096	50,480,049
<b>Scott J. McLean</b>	313,776,181	2,594,970	858,058	50,480,049
<b>Martin H. Nesbitt</b>	310,242,736	6,107,102	879,371	50,480,049
<b>Theodore F. Pound</b>	311,827,412	4,497,999	903,798	50,480,049
<b>Scott M. Prochazka</b>	313,624,653	2,916,042	688,514	50,480,049
<b>Susan O. Rheney</b>	312,974,538	3,513,651	741,020	50,480,049
<b>Phillip R. Smith</b>	312,545,580	3,788,860	894,769	50,480,049
<b>John W. Somerhalder II</b>	313,143,605	3,234,633	850,971	50,480,049
<b>Peter S. Wareing</b>	305,018,982	11,330,116	880,111	50,480,049

**Ratification of Appointment of Independent Auditors (Item 2)**

The appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as independent registered public accountants for CenterPoint Energy for 2018 was ratified, with the vote totals as set forth in the table below:

For	Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
350,791,381	16,009,467	908,410	0

**Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation (Item 3)**

The advisory resolution on executive compensation was approved, with the vote totals as set forth in the table below:

For	Against	Abstentions	Broker Non-Votes
287,071,715	28,326,054	1,831,440	50,480,049

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: April 30, 2018

By: /s/ Dana C. O Brien  
Dana C. O Brien  
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and  
Assistant Secretary