CAMPBELL DONALD R

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad CAMPBELI	Symbol CENTE	CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
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(Last)	(First) (M		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)			X Director Officer (given		6 Owner er (specify	
1111 LOUIS		04/23/2009				below)	below)		
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
HOUSTON,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties		5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
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(Instr. 3) any		J	*		Disposed of (D)		Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
G			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
Common	04/23/2009		A	4,000	A	<u>(2)</u>	28,000 (3)	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer Othe				
CAMPBELL DONALD R							
1111 LOUISIANA	X						
HOUSTON, TX 77002							

Signatures

Donald R.

Campbell

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- This common stock is time-based restricted stock awarded to outside directors then in office as of May 1, 2009. Shares will vest in one-third increments on May 1, 2010, May 1, 2011 and May 1, 2012 if the reporting person is a director of Issuer through such dates; provided however, the shares become fully vested in the event of a change of control of issuer.
- (2) Price is not applicable.
- Includes 1,000 shares of time-based restricted stock awarded in 2006 that will vest in 2009; 2,666 shares of time-based restricted stock awarded in 2007 that will vest in 1,333 share increments on June 1, 2009 and June 1, 2010; and 4,000 shares of time-based restricted stock awarded in 2008 that will vest in one-third increments on May 1, 2009, May 1, 2010 and May 1, 2011 if the reporting person is a director of Issuer through such dates; provided however, the shares become fully vested in the event of a change of control of issuer.

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