

The Benefits of a Balanced Electric & Natural Gas Portfolio

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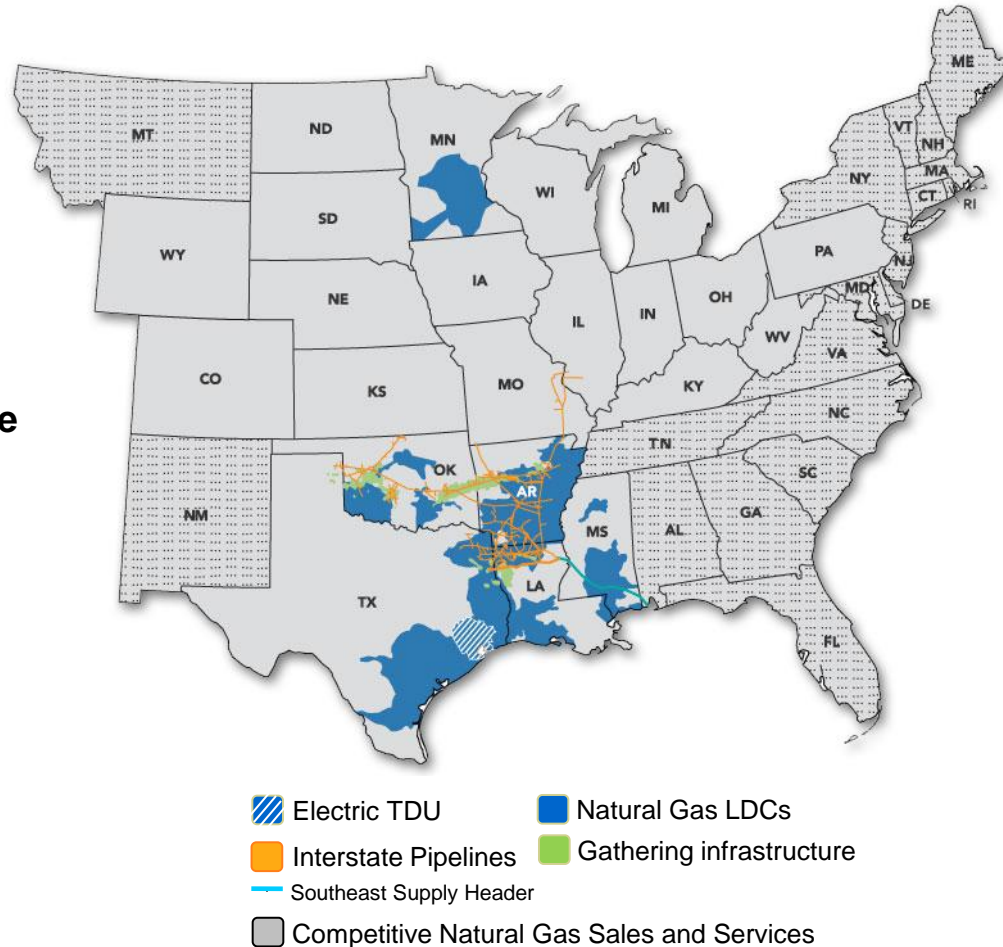
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Investment Highlights



- **Strategically located assets and attractive service territories that provide operating scale and diversification of risk**
- **Regulated and fee-based operations provide over 90 percent of operating income with stable earnings and cash flow**
- **Opportunity to leverage market position as a leading provider of gas infrastructure services, particularly in shale plays**
- **Organic growth opportunities across all businesses**
- **Committed to a secure, competitive dividend with growth**



Our Corporate Vision Remains...



Our Vision

To Be Recognized As America's Leading Energy Delivery Company...and More

"... America's Energy Delivery..."

- **Focused on domestic energy delivery businesses**
 - Continental U.S. market
 - Regulated energy delivery
 - Electric transmission and distribution (TDU)
 - Natural gas local distribution companies (LDCs)
 - Natural gas interstate pipelines
 - Unregulated energy delivery
 - Natural gas field services (gas gathering, treating and processing)

"... and More"

- **Pursue complementary businesses that leverage our core businesses/business skills**
 - Competitive natural gas sales and energy services

Our Strategy Builds on Our Strengths



Building a domestic energy delivery company with a balanced portfolio of electric and natural gas businesses consistent with CNP's risk profile and earnings growth objectives.

- **Capture organic growth in our attractive electric and natural gas service territories**
- **Optimize our interstate pipeline assets with access to active natural gas supply basins**
- **Invest in gas gathering, treating and processing facilities in attractive gas producing areas, primarily in the shale plays**
- **Optimize our competitive natural gas sales and services business**
- **Pursue new business opportunities based on market, technology and service capabilities**
- **Seek opportunities to acquire other electric and natural gas businesses which provide geographic, economic and regulatory diversity**

**Committed to our investment thesis of
providing a secure, competitive dividend with growth**

Complementary Electric and Natural Gas Portfolio



Electric Transmission & Distribution

- Regulated 'wires only' business
- 5,000 sq. mile service territory in and around Houston
- 2.2 million metered customers
- Consistent customer growth

Natural Gas Distribution

- Regulated local gas distribution companies in AR, LA, MN, MS, OK, TX
- ~3.3 million customers
- Solid growth in key urban areas
- 423 Bcf throughput in 2011

Natural Gas Pipelines

- FERC regulated pipelines and storage
- Strategically located at the center of the nation's gas transportation infrastructure
- Connected to over 20 other pipelines
- 1,579 Bcf throughput in 2011

Natural Gas Field Services

- Non-rate regulated; primarily fee-based business
- Gathering, treating and processing
- Primarily focused on mid-continent production basins and new shale plays
- 823 Bcf gathering throughput in 2011

Natural Gas Sales & Services

- Non-rate regulated
- Markets natural gas and services
- ~14,300 commercial, industrial and utility customers in 21 states
- 558 Bcf throughput in 2011

Adjusted Operating Income (in millions)

2011: \$ 496 ⁽¹⁾	2011: \$ 226	2011: \$ 248	2011: \$ 189	2011: \$ 6
2010: \$ 427 ⁽¹⁾	2010: \$ 231	2010: \$ 270	2010: \$ 151	2010: \$ 16
2009: \$ 414 ⁽¹⁾	2009: \$ 204	2009: \$ 256	2009: \$ 94	2009: \$ 21
2008: \$ 407 ⁽¹⁾	2008: \$ 215	2008: \$ 293	2008: \$ 147	2008: \$ 62
2007: \$ 383 ⁽¹⁾	2007: \$ 218	2007: \$ 237	2007: \$ 99	2007: \$ 75

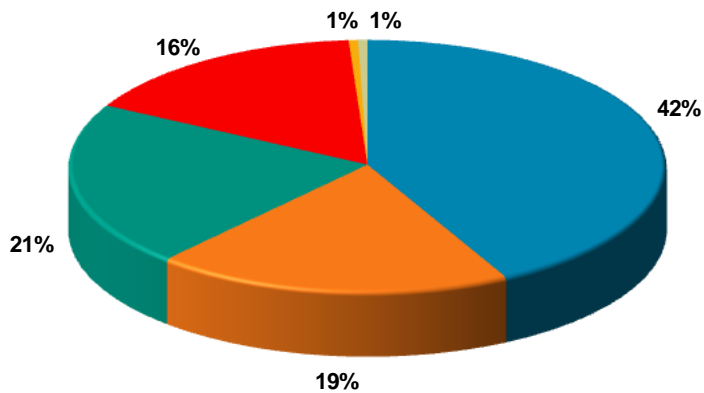
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Attractive and Balanced Portfolio with Stability and Growth



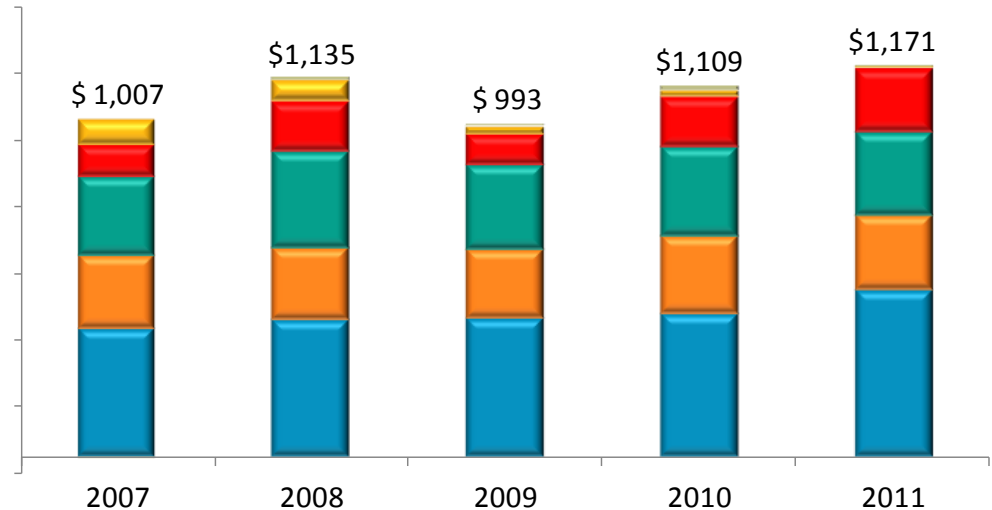
Balanced Portfolio

2011 Adjusted Operating Income: \$1,171⁽¹⁾



Stability and Growth

2007 – 2011 Adjusted Operating Income⁽²⁾



(1) In millions; excludes operating income from Transition and System Restoration Bond Companies (see reconciliation on page 18).

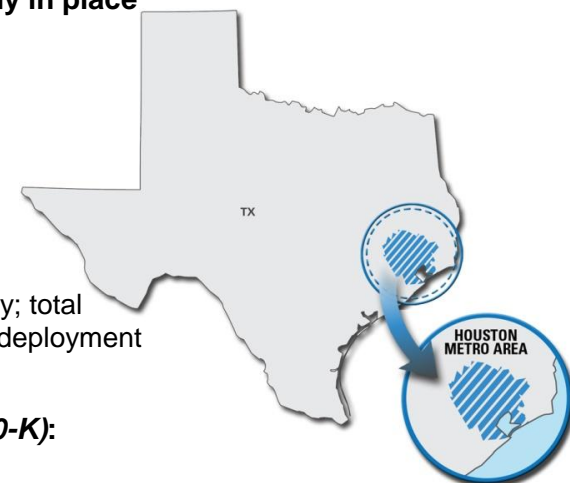
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CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric

Electric Transmission & Distribution



- **Final resolution of true-up remand issues enabled issuance of \$1.695 billion in transition bonds in January 2012**
 - Of this amount ~\$1.1 billion will be recorded as after-tax earnings in different time frames
 - \$811 million representing stranded costs and transition expenses, and the debt component of interest, was recognized in third quarter 2011
 - \$258 million representing the equity component of interest will be recognized over life of the transition bonds
 - Cash flow impact: \$1.695 billion received upon issuance of transition bonds; \$609 million in taxes to be paid over life of bonds
- **Final order in Houston Electric rate case issued June 23, 2011; rates implemented September 1, 2011**
 - The PUC authorized the following:
 - ~\$14.7 million increase for distribution customers; ~\$12.3 million decrease for transmission customers
 - 10% return on equity; capital structure of 45% equity/ 55% debt
 - Minimal impact on cash flow, but estimated operating income decrease of ~\$35 million in 2012, including effect of change in depreciation rates
- **In September 2011, PUC approved a periodic rate adjustment mechanism that mitigates regulatory lag for distribution capital investment; a similar adjustment mechanism for transmission costs is already in place**
- **Advanced meter deployment over 96 percent complete**
 - ~2 million advanced meters installed through March 2012; full deployment expected to be completed 2Q 2012
 - \$617 million invested through March 2012, total estimated investment \$663 million, of which \$150 million funded through a DOE grant
- **Intelligent Grid**
 - \$44 million invested through March 2012 for initial deployment in portion of service territory; total estimated investment \$115 million, of which \$50 million funded through DOE grant; initial deployment expected to be complete 2013
- **New capital expenditures drive growth in rate base (*in millions, source 2011 Form 10-K*):**



2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E
\$ 538	\$ 575	\$ 571	\$ 557	\$ 514	\$ 440

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.

Natural Gas Distribution



- **Focused on implementation of rate strategies that reduce rate case frequency and decouple revenues from consumption**
 - Align company and customers' interests on conservation and energy efficiency
 - Significant progress in a number of jurisdictions
 - Weather normalization approved in AR, LA and OK
 - Decoupling or cost of service adjustment mechanisms in AR, LA, MN (pilot project), OK and parts of TX (subject to appeal)
 - Capital recovery mechanisms in TX and AR
 - Energy efficiency riders in AR, MN and OK
 - Asset management agreements providing sharing of benefits in AR, LA, MS, and OK; substantial reduction in working capital realized

- **Continue to promote natural gas as the clean fuel of choice for cooking, space and water heating**

- **Business model structured to capture scale benefits and synergies**

- Excellent results in reducing delinquencies and bad debts and controlling operation and maintenance expenses
- First place ranking in the Midwest region of the J. D. Power annual gas utility residential customer satisfaction survey
- Second highest score in American Customer Satisfaction Index for US investor-owned gas and electric utilities

- **Capital expenditures (in millions, source 2011 Form 10-K):**

2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E
\$ 295	\$ 354	\$ 365	\$ 361	\$ 363	\$ 349

- Increased capital investment primarily for infrastructure, safety and technology which will allow us to:
 - Comply with pipeline safety regulations
 - Improve customer service
 - Reduce O&M
- In most jurisdictions, such investments can be recovered in a timely manner



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Interstate Pipelines

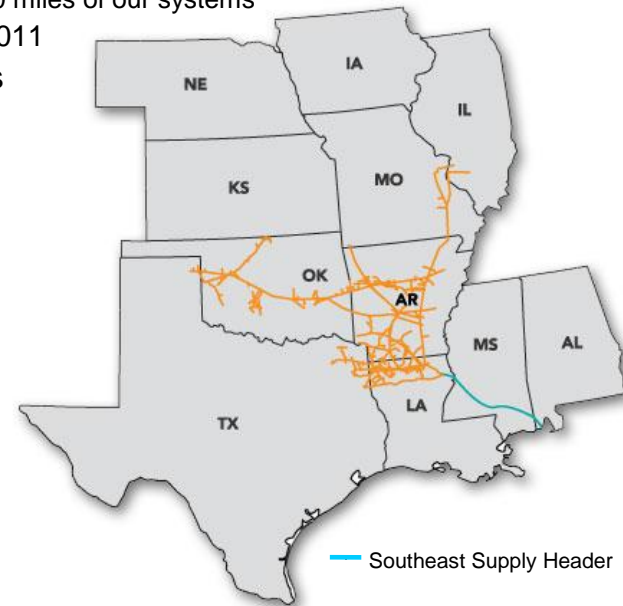


- **Maintain core customer base and revenue stability through effective and timely re-contracting**
 - Long-term agreements with affiliated LDCs extended into 2021
 - Focused on shifting short-term contracts to longer-term arrangements
 - Initiated rate case settlement process for Mississippi River Transmission (MRT) pipeline
- **Pursue on-system customer growth, pipeline extensions and greenfield development projects**
 - Shift focus from off-system to on-system customers in light of changing market dynamics, i.e. lack of basis
 - Continue to pursue extension opportunities especially power generation load
 - More than 0.8 Bcf per day of contracted power generation load with 12 plants
 - Currently attached to 22 gas-fired power plants (7.7 GW of power load)
 - 29 additional gas-fired power plants (12 GW of power load) are located within 10 miles of our systems
 - Delivered peak hourly load of nearly 877 MMcf to power plants in summer 2011
 - Pursue SESH expansion opportunities as well as expansion opportunities on core system

- **Capital expenditures (in millions, source 2011 Form 10-K):**

	2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E
\$	98	181	125	96	121	91

- Maintenance capital expected to average \$80 to \$100 million annually
- New environmental regulations (e.g. RICE MACT) will increase environmental capital expenditures
- Expanded integrity management programs likely from pending pipeline safety regulation



CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.

Field Services



- **Secure core business through superior customer service and product offerings**
 - Attractive margins despite highly competitive business dynamics
 - Relatively low risk business model
 - Majority of recent capital expenditures supported by agreements with guaranteed throughput or return provisions
 - Positioned to capture value from commodity up-swings
 - Over half of near-term gross margin projected to come from XTO/Exxon, Shell and Encana
 - Strategic footprint in both traditional and shale basins
 - Drilling activity has declined in dry basins but substantial drilling activity in liquids-rich East Texas footprint
 - Dry gas basins should benefit from natural gas price increases
 - Well positioned to benefit when drilling returns to traditional basins
- **Significant increase in throughput driven primarily by shale gas infrastructure investments**
 - Average throughput increased from 1.15 Bcf per day in 2008 to 2.25 Bcf per day in 2011
 - Averaged 2.6 Bcf per day during first quarter 2012
 - Strategic footprint and attractive long-term contracts position business for solid long-term growth
 - Haynesville – 2 Bcf per day gathering and treating capacity
 - Fayetteville – 800 MMcf per day gathering capacity
 - Woodford – 500 MMcf per day gathering, 400 MMcf per day treating capacity
- **Actively pursuing other opportunities in liquids-rich shale plays**
 - Exploiting Waskom JV as rich gas drilling in East Texas and Northwest Louisiana accelerates
 - Proposed White Eagle Gathering System in Mississippi Lime



- **Capital expenditures (in millions, source 2011 Form 10-K):**

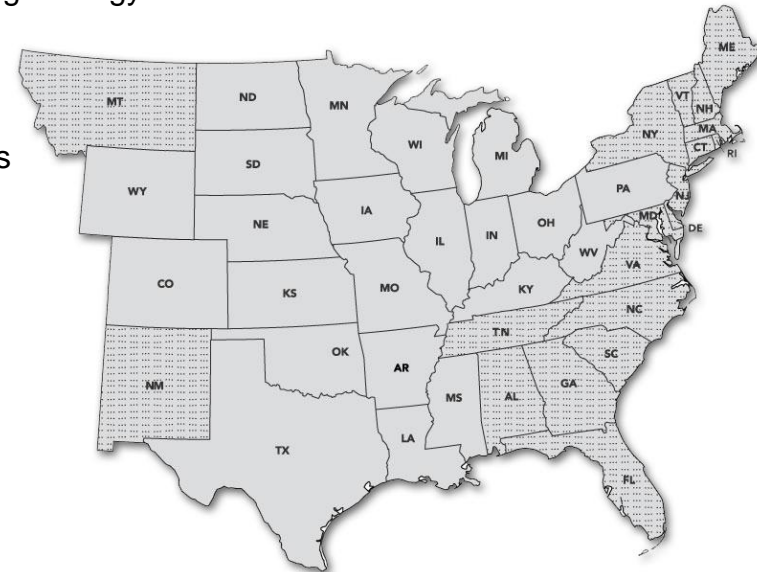
2011A	2012E	2013E	2014E	2015E	2016E
\$ 201	\$ 139	\$ 59	\$ 73	\$ 104	\$ 74

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Competitive Natural Gas Sales and Energy Services



- Business focus is on commercial and industrial natural gas sales
- Pursuing a strategy of growing the retail business, and reducing fixed costs by right-sizing the pipeline transportation capacity used to serve retail customers
- Pursuing customer interconnect opportunities on our intrastate pipeline to take advantage of petrochemical and other energy intensive industrial expansions
- Risk management and internal controls essential to success (maintain a low risk model)
 - Principally a physical gas provider using back-to-back contracting strategy
 - Disciplined risk management model
 - Low Value at Risk (VaR) limit of \$4 million
 - Rigorous credit scoring and collateral management
 - Economic gains locked in through the use of financial derivatives



First Quarter 2012

Consolidated Results



(unaudited, in millions except per share amounts)

	Quarter ended March 31,	
	2011	2012
Revenues	\$ 2,587	\$ 2,084
Expenses:		
Natural gas	1,476	969
Operation and maintenance	439	455
Depreciation and amortization	201	224
Taxes other than income taxes	107	98
Total	2,223	1,746
Operating Income	364	338
Gain on marketable securities	32	46
Loss on indexed debt securities	(23)	(33)
Interest and other finance charges	(116)	(110)
Interest on transition and system restoration bonds	(33)	(37)
Equity in earnings of unconsolidated affiliates	6	9
Other income, net	5	6
Income tax expense	(87)	(72)
Net Income	\$ 148	\$ 147
Per Share:		
	Basic	
	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.34
	Diluted	
	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.34

First Quarter 2012

Operating Income by Segment



(unaudited, in millions)

	Quarter ended March 31,	
	2011	2012
Electric Transmission & Distribution:		
Electric Transmission and Distribution Operations	\$ 68	\$ 70
Transition and System Restoration Bond Companies	33	37
Total Electric Transmission & Distribution	<u>101</u>	<u>107</u>
Natural Gas Distribution	142	121
Competitive Natural Gas Sales and Services	10	1
Interstate Pipelines	76	60
Field Services	36	47
Other Operations	<u>(1)</u>	<u>2</u>
Total Operating Income	<u><u>\$ 364</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 338</u></u>

* rounding

CenterPoint Energy

Objectives for 2012 and beyond



- **Maximize return on regulated utilities portfolio**
- **Pursue growth projects in interstate pipelines and field services**
- **Capture profitability of competitive natural gas sales and services while maintaining appropriate level of risk**
- **Maintain and improve strong liquidity and credit profile**
- **Provide secure, competitive dividend with growth**
- **Consistently achieve top quartile shareholder returns**

Appendix

Reconciliation of Operating Income to Adjusted Operating Income



(in millions)

Consolidated

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Operating Income	\$ 1,185	\$ 1,273	\$ 1,124	\$ 1,249	\$ 1,298
Transition and System Restoration Bond Companies	(119)	(133)	(131)	(140)	(127)
Competition Transition Charge	(42)	(5)	-	-	-
Final Fuel Reconciliation	(17)	-	-	-	-
Adjusted Operating Income	<u>\$ 1,007</u>	<u>\$ 1,135</u>	<u>\$ 993</u>	<u>\$ 1,109</u>	<u>\$ 1,171</u>

Electric Transmission & Distribution

	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
Operating Income	\$ 561	\$ 545	\$ 545	\$ 567	\$ 623
Transition and System Restoration Bond Companies	(119)	(133)	(131)	(140)	(127)
Competition Transition Charge	(42)	(5)	-	-	-
Final Fuel Reconciliation	(17)	-	-	-	-
Adjusted Operating Income	<u>\$ 383</u>	<u>\$ 407</u>	<u>\$ 414</u>	<u>\$ 427</u>	<u>\$ 496</u>

Note: Pursuant to financing orders issued by the Texas Utility Commission in accordance with the Texas Electric Choice Plan (Texas electric restructuring law), subsidiaries of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric issued \$749 million, \$1.85 billion, \$488 million, and \$1.695 billion of transition bonds in October 2001, December 2005, February 2008, and January 2012, respectively. Final maturity dates on the bonds range from September 2015 to October 2025. The transition bonds were issued to recover certain costs determined by the Texas Utility Commission to be recoverable in connection with the transition to competition under the Texas electric restructuring law. Pursuant to a financing order issued by the Texas Utility Commission in August 2009, a subsidiary of CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric issued \$665 million of system restoration bonds in November 2009. Final maturity dates on the bonds range from February 2016 to August 2023. The system restoration bonds were issued to recover the portion of approved distribution-related system restoration costs associated with Hurricane Ike. The transition and system restoration bonds are non-recourse to CenterPoint Energy and CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric and are serviced through dedicated amounts included in revenues.

Debt and Capitalization Ratio

Excluding transition and system restoration bonds



(in millions)

	<u>December 31, 2011</u>	<u>March 31, 2012</u>
Short-term Debt:		
Short-term borrowings	62	9
Current portion of transition and system restoration bonds*	307	380
Current portion of indexed debt (ZENS)**	131	133
Current portion of other long-term debt	46	496
Long-term Debt:		
Transition and system restoration bonds*	2,215	3,686
Other	6,426	5,319
Total Debt	<u>\$ 9,187</u>	<u>\$ 10,023</u>
Less: Transition and system restoration bonds (including current portion)*	<u>2,522</u>	<u>4,066</u>
Total Debt, excluding transition and system restoration bonds	<u>\$ 6,665</u>	<u>\$ 5,957</u>
Total Shareholders' Equity	<u>\$ 4,222</u>	<u>\$ 4,286</u>
Total Capitalization, excluding transition and system restoration bonds	<u>\$ 10,887</u>	<u>\$ 10,243</u>
Total Debt/Total Capitalization, excluding transition and system restoration bonds	61.2%	58.2%

* The transition and system restoration bonds are non-recourse to CenterPoint Energy and CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric and are serviced through collections of separate charges which are held in trust.

** The debt component reflected on the financial statements was \$133 million as of March 31, 2012 and \$131 million as of December 31, 2011. The principal amount on which 2% interest is paid was \$840 million as of March 31, 2012 and December 31, 2011. The contingent principal amount was \$795 million as of March 31, 2012 and \$797 million as of December 31, 2011.

Liquidity and Credit Ratings



Available Liquidity (\$MM)

<u>Bank Facilities</u>	<u>Type of Facility</u>	<u>Size of Facility</u>	<u>Amount Utilized at April 16, 2012</u>	<u>Amount Unutilized at April 16, 2012</u>
CenterPoint Energy	Revolver	\$ 1,200	\$ 13 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1,187
CEHE	Revolver	300	4 ⁽¹⁾	296
CERC	Revolver	950	-	950
Total Bank Facilities		\$ 2,450	\$ 17	\$ 2,433

(1) Represents outstanding letters of credit.

Temporary Investments

Investments in Money Market Funds
(as of April 16, 2012)

Available Liquidity

1,004
\$ 3,437

Credit Ratings

	<u>Moody's</u>		<u>S&P</u>		<u>Fitch</u>	
	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Outlook</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Outlook</u>	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Outlook</u>
CenterPoint Energy (Senior Unsecured)	Baa3	Stable	BBB	Stable	BBB-	Positive
CEHE (Senior Secured) ⁽¹⁾	A3	Stable	A-	Stable	A-	Positive
CERC (Senior Unsecured)	Baa2	Stable	BBB+	Stable	BBB	Stable

(1) General mortgage bonds and first mortgage bonds.

Principal amounts of external debt

As of March 31, 2012



(in millions)

CenterPoint Energy, Inc.	
ZENS	\$ 133 ⁽¹⁾
Senior Notes	750
Collateralized Pollution Control Bonds	
First Mortgage Bond Collateral	151 ⁽²⁾
General Mortgage Bond Collateral	118 ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾
Uncollateralized Pollution Control Bonds	69 ⁽⁴⁾
Commercial Paper	0
Bank Loans	0 ⁽⁵⁾
Total	<u>\$1,221</u>

Utility Holding, LLC

CenterPoint Energy Resources Corp.	
Senior Notes	\$2,693
Commercial Paper	0
Bank Loans	0 ⁽⁶⁾
Total	<u>\$2,693</u>

CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC	
First Mortgage Bonds	\$ 103
General Mortgage Bonds	1,762
Collateralized Pollution Control Bonds	229 ⁽⁷⁾
Bank Loans	0 ⁽⁸⁾
Total	<u>\$2,094</u>

CenterPoint Energy Transition Bond Company, LLC	
Transition Bonds	\$174

CenterPoint Energy Transition Bond Company II, LLC	
Transition Bonds	\$1,250

CenterPoint Energy Transition Bond Company III, LLC	
Transition Bonds	\$372

CenterPoint Energy Restoration Bond Company, LLC	
System Restoration Bonds	\$576

CenterPoint Energy Transition Bond Company IV, LLC	
Transition Bonds	\$1,695

- (1) The principal amount on which 2% interest was paid is \$840 million. The debt component reflected on the financial statements was \$133 million. The contingent principal amount was \$795 million.
- (2) The collateralized pollution control bonds aggregating \$269 million are obligations of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. However, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC has issued first mortgage bonds aggregating \$151 million and general mortgage bonds aggregating \$118 million as collateral for these CenterPoint Energy, Inc. obligations.
- (3) Excludes \$290 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in January 2010 and are held for future remarketing.

- (4) Excludes \$450 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 (\$175 million) and February 2012 (\$275 million) and are held for future remarketing.
- (5) Borrowings under \$1.2 billion bank facility.
- (6) Borrowings under \$950 million bank facility.
- (7) The pollution control bonds are collateralized by general mortgage bonds.
- (8) Borrowings under \$300 million bank facility.

Principal amounts of maturing external debt

As of March 31, 2012



(\$ in millions)

Year	CenterPoint	CEHE	CERC	Sub-total	Transition	Transition	Transition	System	Transition	Total
	Energy ⁽¹⁾				Bonds ⁽²⁾	Bonds ⁽²⁾	Bonds ⁽²⁾	Restoration	Bonds ⁽²⁾	
					(Series 2001-1)	(Series A)	(Series 2008)	(Series 2009)	(Series 2012)	
2012	\$ -	\$ 46	\$ -	\$ 46	\$ 65	\$ 55	\$ 17	\$ 19	\$ 63	\$ 265
2013	-	450	365	815	109	137	38	46	117	\$ 1,262
2014	-	800	160	960	-	147	41	47	120	\$ 1,315
2015	419	-	-	419	-	158	44	48	122	\$ 791
2016	-	-	325	325	-	169	46	51	125	\$ 716
2017-2021	600 ⁽³⁾	230	1,143	1,973	-	583	187	295	680	\$ 3,718
2022-2026	-	200	-	200	-	-	-	69	468	\$ 737
2027-2031	863 ⁽⁴⁾	56	-	919	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 919
2032-2036	-	312	-	312	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 312
2037-2041	-	-	700	700	-	-	-	-	-	\$ 700
Total	\$ 1,882	\$ 2,094	\$ 2,693	\$ 6,669	\$ 174	\$ 1,249	\$ 373	\$ 575	\$ 1,695	\$ 10,735

(1) Debt of \$150.85 million collateralized by First Mortgage Bonds of CEHE matures in 2015. Debt collateralized by General Mortgage Bonds of CEHE matures on the following dates: 2018, \$50 million; and 2028, \$68 million.

(2) Using scheduled payment dates.

(3) Excludes \$490 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 (\$100 million), January 2010 (\$290 million) and February 2012 (\$100 million) and are held for future remarketing.

(4) Includes ZENS at their contingent principal amount of \$795 million. The principal amount of ZENS on which interest is paid was \$840 million. The ZENS debt component reflected on the Company's financial statements was \$133 million as of 3/31/2012. Excludes \$250 million of tax-exempt bonds issued on behalf of CenterPoint Energy, Inc. which were purchased by CenterPoint Energy, Inc. in April 2008 (\$75 million) and February 2012 (\$175 million) and are held for future remarketing.