

PRICING TERM SHEET
(to Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated January 6, 2009)

Issuer: CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC

Security: 7.00% General Mortgage Bonds, Series U, due 2014

Legal Format: SEC Registered

Size: \$500,000,000

Trade Date: January 6, 2009

Expected Settlement Date: January 9, 2009

Maturity Date: March 1, 2014

Coupon: 7.00%

Interest Payment Dates: March 1 and September 1, commencing September 1, 2009

Price to Public: 99.978%

Benchmark Treasury: 1.500% due December 31, 2013

Benchmark Treasury Yield: 1.714%

Spread to Benchmark Treasury: +528.6 basis points

Re-offer Yield: 7.00%

Make-whole call: At any time at a discount rate of Treasury plus 50 basis points

CUSIP: 15189X AJ7

Anticipated Ratings: Moody's Baa2
Standard & Poor's BBB+
Fitch BBB+

Joint Book-Running Managers: Credit Suisse Securities (USA) LLC
Scotia Capital (USA) Inc.
UBS Securities LLC

Co-Managers: Comerica Securities, Inc.
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities International plc
RBC Capital Markets Corporation
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.
Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

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