

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): DECEMBER 11, 2003

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-31447
(Commission File Number)

74-0694415
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1111 LOUISIANA
HOUSTON, TEXAS
(Address of principal executive offices)

77002
(Zip Code)

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

TEXAS GENCO HOLDINGS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

1-31449
(Commission File Number)

76-0695920
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

1111 LOUISIANA
HOUSTON, TEXAS
(Address of principal executive offices)

77002
(Zip Code)

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

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS.

SOUTH TEXAS PROJECT DIESEL GENERATOR FAILURE

On December 11, 2003, Texas Genco Holdings, Inc. ("Texas Genco"), a majority-owned subsidiary of CenterPoint Energy, Inc., announced that on December 9, 2003, one of three standby diesel generators at Unit 2 of the South Texas Project nuclear facility ("STP") experienced a failure during a routine monthly surveillance test. Texas Genco owns a 30.8 percent interest in STP. STP Nuclear Operating Company personnel have informed the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and are completing the analysis to determine the cause of the failure and are developing a repair plan. The unit continues to operate at full power and has two operational standby diesel generators. At this time, we cannot predict the cost of repairs or if this event would require an outage.

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: December 12, 2003

By: /s/ James S. Brian

James S. Brian
Senior Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer

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.

TEXAS GENCO HOLDINGS, INC.

Date: December 12, 2003

By: /s/ James S. Brian

James S. Brian
Senior Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer