
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

SCHEDULE 14A

**Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities
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CenterPoint Energy, Inc.

(Name of Registrant as Specified In Its Charter)

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Your **Vote** Counts!

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

2026 Annual Meeting

Vote by April 15, 2026 11:59 PM ET. For shares held in a Plan, vote by April 13, 2026 11:59 PM ET.

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You invested in **CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.** and it's time to vote!

You have the right to vote on proposals being presented at the Annual Meeting. **This is an important notice regarding the availability of proxy materials for the shareholder meeting to be held on April 16, 2026.**

Get informed before you vote

View the Notice and Proxy Statement and Annual Report online OR you can receive a free paper or email copy of the material(s) by requesting prior to April 2, 2026. If you would like to request a copy of the material(s) for this and/or future shareholder meetings, you may (1) visit www.ProxyVote.com, (2) call 1-800-579-1639 or (3) send an email to sendmaterial@proxyvote.com. If sending an email, please include your control number (indicated below) in the subject line. Unless requested, you will not otherwise receive a paper or email copy.

We encourage you to access and review all of the information included in the proxy materials before voting.



For complete information and to vote, visit www.ProxyVote.com

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Point your camera here and vote without entering a control number



Vote in Person at the Meeting*

April 16, 2026
8:30 a.m. CT

Auditorium
1111 Louisiana Street
Houston, Texas 77002

*Please check the meeting materials for any special requirements for meeting attendance. At the meeting, you will need to request a ballot to vote these shares.

THIS IS NOT A VOTABLE BALLOT

This is an overview of the proposals being presented at the upcoming shareholder meeting. Please follow the instructions on the reverse side to vote these important matters.

Voting Items	Board Recommends
1. Election of Directors Nominees:	
1a. Wendy Montoya Cloonan	✔ For
1b. Barbara J. Duganier	✔ For
1c. Laurie L. Fitch	✔ For
1d. Christopher H. Franklin	✔ For
1e. Michael A. "Casey" Herman	✔ For
1f. Raquelle W. Lewis	✔ For
1g. Thaddeus J. Malik	✔ For
1h. Manuel B. Miranda	✔ For
1i. Theodore F. Pound	✔ For
1j. Dean L. Seavers	✔ For
1k. Jason P. Wells	✔ For
2. Ratify the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accounting firm for 2026.	✔ For
3. Approve the advisory resolution on executive compensation.	✔ For
4. Approve CenterPoint Energy, Inc.'s Amended and Restated Certificate of Formation to provide for limited officer exculpation and make certain other immaterial updates.	✔ For

NOTE: Such other business as may properly come before the meeting or any adjournment thereof.

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